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Christmas Decorating Contest

The Belle Glade Chamber of Commerce is again this year sponsoring the Christmas Decorating Contest.

Judging will be held today, Thursday, Dec. 21, so

call Janise Goforth at the Chamber, 996-2745 to get in

any last minute entries.

New Year's Eve Dance

Pahokee Elks Lodge will be having a New Year's Eve Dance on Sunday, Dec. 31 at 9 p.m. with a D.J. Admission is free for Elk members and their guests.

Call the lodge Tuesday through Saturday after 5 p.m. for more information at 561-924-7727.

Flea market

Pahokee Elks Lodge will be having a Flea Market on Jan. 6 and Jan. 13. The admission price for \$8 each from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. There will be hot dogs and cokes for sale.

Call the lodge for more details from Tuesday to Saturday after 5 p.m. at 561-924-7727.

Noche de la Familia

The first ever Noche de la Familia at the South Florida Fair on Friday, Jan. 19. This event will feature a parade, folkloric performances, entertainment and ethnic foods. Noche de la familia is a family affair for all to enjoy. The event will also serve as a fundraiser for the Hispanic Chamber of Palm Beach County, an organization dedicated to giving back to our community and increasing the presence of Hispanic owned businesses in Palm Beach County.

The Hispanic Chamber is offering advanced ticket discounted prices until Dec. 20 or before Thursday, Jan. 11. To purchase tickets or for further information, contact 561-832-1986 or email at hccofpb@bellsouth.net.

Advanced ticket sales

Western Palm Beach County Farm Bureau will be selling advanced tickets to the South Florida Fair now until Jan. 11.

Call us at 561-996-0343 or stop by 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through 301 State Rd. 15 Suite 5 Belle Glade, across from the Palm Beach County Courthouse.

New Year's Eve Concert

The City of South Central Street Beat presents a New Year's Eve Concert featuring Street Beat and other local guests. You are invited to attend for a New Year's Eve Celebration at on Dec. 31, from 8 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. on the front lawn of the City Hall building in South Bay. Bring your own chair.

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Businesses relieved to see 715 bridge open

By Brenda Bunting

Merchants on State Road 715 (Northwest 16th Street) are breathing a sigh of relief this week as the 715 Bridge in Chosen opened without fanfare last Friday after being closed for 10 months.

Many businesses have been affected by the closing since traffic was re-routed down Avenue L and to State Road 80 to bypass the construction site.

Rhinel White, owner of White's Radio and TV, said his business has been off by about 90 percent since March.

"I never realized how impor-

tant that road was until they had it closed," said customers who went out of their way to get here," said Mr. White.

He attributes other factors to the slowdown in business also, including layoffs in the sugar industry. "However," he says, "it came very, very close to being devastating for me."

"I'm ecstatic it's open," he added.

Margaret Davis, owner of Margaret's Beauty Salon at 417 NW 16th Street, agrees with the sentiment. "I'm grateful it's open. It's the best thing since tea in China," she said.

Mrs. Davis said the hairdress-

ing business relies on a certain amount of walk in traffic, and with the bridge closed, her business was down to near zero little traffic. "My business was off by about 80 percent," she said.

None have felt the slowdown more than John and Charlotte White, managers of the Drawbridge Cafe on SR 717. The Whites, who lease the facility from the City of Belle Glade, lost four of their rent to the city. They owe over \$4,000 in back rent with interest currently at \$1,039.

Charlotte White said she lost \$200 to \$300 a day in luncheon traffic. "It's been hard," she said. "I'm glad it's open, but I think it's going to take a week or two before

people realize the bridge is open."

"The bridge's attended Monday night's commission meeting to hear what the commission would decide on whether they would give them an extension on paying their past due rent."

Interim City Manager Dave Wood said he has worked out a repayment plan with the Whites which will be discussed at a meeting current with their rent by March of 2001. The Whites agree to pay the commission \$2,145 by December 31, 2000. They also agreed to pay \$1,351 in January, and again in February and March, to catch up on past due and current rent charges.

"I know this has been a tough time for them because the bridge was closed," said Mayor D. Bill Mathis, "and we want to work with them."

The commission agreed unanimously to give the interest owed to the Whites if they adhered to the payment schedule.

Currently, the two side roads off the bridge are still closed on East and West Canal Streets.

FRH Construction Services, Inc., the company who is overseeing the bridge work, has said the side roads will be reopened in mid-January, but work will continue on the side structures of the bridge through June of 2001.

Pahokee marina business plan to be complete by mid January

By Tracy Whirls

donated by First Community Bank president Larry Stevens, and recommended that the commission purchase "Guest Tracker" software, specifically designed for managing marina reservations, at a cost of \$850.

The group plans to conduct a workshop with city officials in January to review the results of their study.

Mr. Sasser also urged the commission to authorize city manager Ken Schenck to submit the Pahokee Marina and Campground and downtown redevelopment plan, approved by the commission, in September, to the Corps of Engineers for their conceptual approval.

Palm Beach County officials have assured members of the advisory group that the different agencies which would be involved in the redevelopment of the marina, campground and city hall complex will support the endeavor and are only waiting for the city to submit the plan so that work can begin. Mr. Sasser said.

The group is comprised of

Sasser, an attorney's wife, Shop

Pahokee realtor, Flavy Todd;

Joe Alderman, owner of Clades

McPhee; Rev. Eugene Babb;

Ted Galloway, a retired banker;

Eddie Honeycutt, owner of

Video Movies; Rev. Bud Micken;

Lynda Moss of Moss Towing;

Susan Elliott, computer consultant and chamber volunteer;

Palm Beach County Marina Consultant Guy Best;

Palm Beach County Senior Planner Vicki Silver; Western Palm Beach County Tourism Director Bob Brown; Pahokee Chamber of Commerce Executive

Director Alice Thompson;

Pahokee Main Street Coordinator Shirley Jarrell; City Manager Ken Schenck; City Finance Director Steve Baumgartner and Mid-States

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NATIVITY TABLEAU AT NEW HOPE



Photo/Tracy Whirls

Children who participate in New Hope Charities afterschool programs dressed up as Mary, Joseph, the Wise Men, Shepherds and Angels to present a Nativity tableau during the annual Toy Give-Away at the program Friday. Pictured are Miguel Araiza, Lorena Magana, Isaiyah Pugh, Carles Ruiz, Lizabeth Hernandez, Rubera Rutz, Obed Figueros, Justin Jenkins, Jose Jimenez and Christine Detacruz.

Pahokee's new drug dog expected to 'take a bite out of crime'

By Tracy Whirls

The latest addition to the Pahokee Police Department is expected to take a bite out of crime—figuratively if not literally.

Falco, a five-and-one-half-year-old German shepherd, has been working with Pahokee Police Department Corporal Kim Cesario in training for the past

couple of months, and will be ready to begin work full time in a couple of weeks, now that the team have been certified and the corporal is finishing up her course work. He has been on the job with his partner for two weeks, getting acclimated to Pahokee.

A dual purpose dog, Falco is trained for patrol, and will protect his handler and other offi-

cials as well as capturing suspects, but his primary mission with the department will be narcotics searches.

In a demonstration for the

Pahokee commission and citizens attending the Dec. 12 meeting, Falco demonstrated his alerting, finding and tracking skills and that had been taped to the bottom of a table and alerting his partner by sitting down. A passive alert dog, trained not to destroy property during a drug search, he is rewarded after successfully locating the contraband with a game of tug-of-war.

Cpl. Cesario described her new partner as the "perfect" dog, with an extremely high drive when it comes to work, but at the same time sociable and friendly.

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A Hug for Santa



The Holiday Tour of Homes was a success again this year and the sponsors, Laurests Gamma Zeta Sorority, will be donating the proceeds to the Dolly Parton Cultural Arts Center. Shown at the Mark and Karen Orangano home on Wedgewood Road on Friday evening were Gredie York with Santa, LaVerne Motes, Linda McMillan and Laura Mae Enfinger.

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Rest is the best cure for laryngitis

"What's wrong with your voice?"

Barry's secretary noticed the deepening tone of her boss' voice this afternoon, and asked about how he felt.

"I don't know. It just started sounding hoarse at lunch."

Before the end of the workday, words were crackling when Barry tried to speak.

"I hope this doesn't get any worse," Barry said in a nasal, runny voice. "I'm supposed to present my proposal on the new Simmons project to the Board tomorrow."

It was to be a very important meeting, a lengthy project that was to culminate in tomorrow's meeting.

He sipped on some warm tea, packed up his briefcase, and headed for home. He would rest the voice tonight, and everything would be fine.

A couple coughs awakened Barry before sunrise. His throat was raw and itched, so he tried to clear it. The whining squeak that emanated from his mouth caught him by surprise.

He hurried to the kitchen and drank some orange juice, then ran upstairs and gargled with warm water.

Barry swallowed hard, coughed in an attempt to clear his throat again, and then tried to speak.

Nothing but a raspy whisper. You gotta get help," Barry thought. It was 5:30 A.M., just five hours from his big deadline.

"Yes, Sir. What can we do for you this morning?" Phil asked. He'd spent the night at the triage desk in the Ocean's Hospital ER, and had been checking for the past hour since the action at his desk had quieted.

"I gotta get better," Barry answered in a hissing whisper.

"Laryngitis?" Phil asked as



by Arlen R. Stauffer, M.D.

he placed the thermometer probe in Barry's ear.

Berry shrugged his shoulders, and didn't try to squeeze out any words. He was escorted to ER Bed 4.

"Good morning, Sir." Emergency Physician Tammy Cortez extended her hand as she entered Barry's room. "When did this begin?"

"Just yesterday," Barry replied. "I have a big meeting this afternoon, and I need to be at it."

Berry frowned, and Cortez raised her eyebrows in an "uh-huh, yeah" fashion.

Cortez asked several questions concerning Barry's symptoms, discovering his mild cough and hoarseness. He told her that he had no prior significant medical illnesses.

"Is your throat sore, too?"

"No, not really, Doc."

"OK. Let me see in there." Cortez approached with her light wooden tongue depressor.

She visualized his throat and ears, and then listened to several deep breaths with her stethoscope. Barry stepped back.

"Barry, it seems that you have an upper respiratory infection. Almost all of these are viral infections."

This wasn't what Barry wanted to hear.

"So, what are you saying, Doc?"

"Well, if it's a respiratory virus, I can't really make it get

better any faster. Antibiotics won't help."

"But what about my voice?" he whispered.

"I'm afraid that it probably won't be better the next couple days, and certainly not today."

Barry frowned and held both palms up in a gesture for help. "I can give you some suggestions for treating the symptoms, Barry, but this will probably take three or four days to run its course."

Cortez noticed the pained look on Barry's face. His head dropped forward, and he sighed.

"I'm sorry, Barry. You really won't be able to do much talking today. In fact, some doctors feel that resting the voice may help it recover sooner."

Berry closed his eyes briefly, then shot a frustrated glance at the doctor as she walked back toward her desk. He wasn't angry at her, but the timing of his misfortune certainly annoyed him.

Barry headed for the office.

There are hundreds of viruses that cause various infections of the upper respiratory tract. These include infections in the nose, throat, sinuses, lungs, trachea, or bronchi. These common symptoms include congestion, cough, fever, voice changes, muscle aches, and fatigue.

Many medicines purport to improve the symptoms of upper respiratory infections, but most of them are not effective against bacterial and not viral infections; do not help.

Dr. Stauffer, an emergency physician in New Smyrna Beach, is a member of the Florida College of Emergency Physicians. www.fcep.org

and a second job with Palm Beach County Animal Control for the opportunity to work as the department's canine officer.

"I've been training dogs all my life," Cpl. Cesaro said. "I worked for a year as a vet, assisting with dogs, and have another dog, Gryz, who's certified in search and rescue."

The corporal said working as a canine officer requires a lot of personal sacrifice.

"A dog is not a weapon you can just pull out of a holster when you need it," Cpl. Cesaro said. "I spend 18 hours a day with the dog. It's a daily thing, he has to be cared for and trained. It's a lot of personal sacrifice, but it's worth it."

Phil is also a veteran officer, having partnered with Sgt. Anderson at the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office and winning national police dog competition in 1998, before coming to Pahokee.

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and swollen gums to name a few. As we age, the condition of our teeth becomes usually more thicker due to medications or changes in our diets and habits (e.g. smoking, alcohol, beverages). An increase in plaque and tartar can lead to tooth decay and dental caries. At least 2-4 times a day, a soft toothbrush, and dental floss will reduce the damage to your gums.

We are exposed to cavities as we age. Cavities-forming acids from carbohydrates, bacteria and thicker saliva team up to attack sensitive roots exposed by recession and gum disease. Once a cavity is filled as soon as possible to avoid further damage to the teeth, brush at least 2 to 3 times a day with a soft toothbrush, and fluoride toothpaste containing fluoride (strength toothpaste).

Seniors who have worn partial dentures for several years and find the ridges sore, early should be evaluated by a dentist. In many cases, the ridge of

the jaws under the denture become flattened. Loose, ill-fitting dentures make speaking and eating difficult, and may make the face look sunken and not well-supported. You may find that you need more adhesive to keep the denture in place. Your dentist can repair the denture with a procedure called "relining"; however, new dentures should be made every 5 to 7 years, or whenever the dentures are not being worn satisfactorily. In some cases, dental implants are used to stabilize dentures.

Just keep in mind that your teeth, if well cared for, will serve you well for a lifetime. Protect, maintain and enhance your personality. All contributes to a good quality of life... and to keeping teeth for a lifetime.

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Facio displays the "high drive" that makes him a good narcotics dog as he zeros in on some contraband planted beneath a table for the demonstration.

Marina

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Navigation's Nick Chipman.

In a related matter, Mr. Schenck reported that the company the city had contracted with to purchase a prefabricated building to replace the existing bait stand at the marina has been unable to locate a trucking company willing to transport the building to the site. He and Hoover Dike, Mr. Schenck said the city could contract with an architect to design and build the building for an estimated cost of \$70,000-\$90,000 or could purchase an aluminum building, approved to meet state hurricane standards, to be erected at the site at a cost of \$30,000-\$40,000.

Saying Mr. Schenck was "about to put the cart before the horse," Commissioner Hugh French noted that the existing building has been in place for ten years and suggested that the city "sweat out another ten months" with the existing building, to determine whether or not a prefabricated building would meet the specifications of the redevelopment plan.

Commissioner Henry Crawford said the existing bait shop is "falling down around our ears," and creates liability problems for the city, should one get injured. The city has \$240,000 in grant funding earmarked for improvements at the campground and marina, Mr. Schenck said.

Mr. Schenck said he would visit the company manufacturing the buildings and report back to the commission at their next meeting, Jan. 9.

Dog

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enough to be introduced to children in local schools.

"I have children myself and I can handle them with a lead and a muzzle," he said. "I wouldn't even consider it if he wasn't such a well-bred dog," she said.

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SMILE with Dr. Inge Ford

Teeth for a Lifetime

A colleague of mine has a friend which is over 90 years old and has a smiling rustic, weather-beaten cowboy's face with every other tooth missing. The caption under the photo reads, "I knew I was gonna live this long, I wouldn't have more."

With living longer comes the hope for a good quality of life, specifically dental health. Not surprisingly, many seniors are concerned about their oral health. As we grow in age, so do our dental needs. Healthy teeth and gums, strong bones, muscles and the fit of partial dentures all play a part in the keeping of teeth for a lifetime.

Periodontal and gum disease is one of the main reasons adults lose teeth. Gum disease is mainly caused by a bacterial film (plaque) that forms continually on the teeth. Many adults don't know they have gum disease because it is usually painless. Advanced signs of gum disease include: bleeding gums after brushing,

loose teeth, loose dentures, and swollen gums to name a few. As we age, the condition of our teeth becomes usually more thicker due to medications or changes in our diets and habits (e.g. smoking, alcohol, beverages). An increase in plaque and tartar can lead to tooth decay and dental caries. At least 2-4 times a day, a soft toothbrush, and dental floss will reduce the damage to your gums.

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Try out for Jubilee 2001

The local entertainment committee for the Black Gold Jubilee 2001 is seeking local talent for Jubilee 2001, which is scheduled to take place on April 28.

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Glades Boys and Girls Clubs Winter Camp

Glades Boys and Girls Clubs Winter Camp will be held for ages 5 through 18. The Winter Camps will be held on January 2, 8 to 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Belle Glade Teen Club Canal Pointe Grove. The fee for each child is \$10. Lunch will be served daily for \$3 and includes kids meal and snack or members may bring their own lunch.

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Regarding Christmas party for the "snowbirds"

"In regards to the Christmas party for the "snowbirds" at the marina. Give me a break. These people can easily afford their own party. They live in Florida during the winter, up north the rest of the time. Most people can't do that. At least we have two commissioners that are thinking about "us" taxpayers. Thank you Mr. Garrett and Mr. Wilson. Keep up the good work. There is just no explaining how one can even justify this expense. By the way, what other perks are given to them that we need to know about?"

Congratulations to the Raiders

"Congratulations to the Glades Central Raiders on winning their third consecutive State Football Championship. Your consolidated "team effort" is an example of the success that can be achieved when people work together for positive outcomes. Principal Manning is to be commended for hiring not only excellent classroom teachers to assist in raising the academic standards at Glades Central but also in appointing Coaches Bueno, Killels, and Landing to the Varsity Football Team. These gentlemen, along with the rest of the coaching staff, have proved to be effective leaders in maintaining control of the student athletes on and off the playing field. They were also never "out-coached" in any pressure situations, particularly against Cardinal Newman or Rockledge."

It is this writers opinion that Principal Manning, and Coaches Bueno, Killels, and Landing deserve public apologies from some members of this community who vehemently opposed the decisions regarding who should be Glades Central's football coaches for 2000. Citizen groups such as A.C.T.I.O.N., who offers forums like the one on Aug. 10, 2000 where Mr. Manning was bombarded with antagonistic questions regarding his decisions, should work to promote the most positive outcomes for ALL citizens of Belle Glade, not just certain segments of our community's population. The prevalent attitude of the speakers on the evening (Aug 10) that just because a person attended a private school has a parent in the District Office he is not worthy of coaching the Raiders is obsolete in an era when we are all asked not to judge people by our past backgrounds, but rather by the merits of our present work ethics and accomplishments.

Congratulations, once again, to the entire Glades Central TEAM, (administration, faculty, students and staff) for another fantastic football season culminating in the 2000 State Championship. We are all looking forward to 2001."

Responding to the "A letter from Satan" flyer

"I shall begin by saying that a teacher does not allow or disallow religious groups to pass out flyers. We are still in a country that was built on a foundation of Christianity and still we reserve the right to tell others about this wonderful and merciful God. Just as you reserve the right not to accept such literature or not to read such literature. And yet he loves you."

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UF Professor: Santa may arrive by boat or at the cape in Sunshine State

By Cathy Keen
UF News

Newcomers to the Sunshine State may pine for the snow and mistletoe of a northern Christmas, but Florida's warm weather version is probably closer to the original holiday in Bethlehem, says a University of Florida professor.

"If one thinks only of toiles and the North Pole, then the terms Christmas and Florida might not seem compatible," said Kevin McCarthy, a UF English professor. "But if one conjures up images of the Christ Child in religious houses of worship, lighting Advent wreaths, exchanging gifts and definitely go together."

"Add golf, tennis, fishing or swimming, and Santa's hat and glasses instead of earmuffs and several layers of clothing - then you have the best of both worlds: the warmth of both the holiday and the sun," he said.

In a new book "Christmas in Florida," Dr. McCarthy describes how the holiday has been celebrated during the last 400 years in a state better known for its alligators and citrus than its turkey and eggnog.

Florida still retains its idiosyncrasies while celebrating the season - for example, having Santa arrive by boat and even seaplane, instead of by sleigh," Dr. McCarthy said. At least 25 Florida communities feature festive holiday boat parades, he said.

Perhaps Florida's traditions began in 1539 when the first Christmas Mass in America was celebrated in what is now Tallahassee, about a half mile from today's Capitol building.

Spanish explorer Hernando de Soto and his soldiers gathered around 12 Catholic priests who had

accompanied the expedition that winter from Tampa Bay, he said.

Another important event in state history to fall on Christmas occurred in 1837, when U.S. Army Captain Colonel and future President Zachary Taylor defeated 400 Seminoles near Lake Okeechobee in the largest and one of the most important battles of the Second Seminole War.

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Arrest Blotter



Belle Glade

The Belle Glade Police Department handled 589 calls, issued 27 traffic citations and made 31 arrests the week of Dec. 11 - Dec. 17. Those arrested included:

Dec. 11 - Leroy Alexander, 33, oppose and obstruct police officer; Milton Smith, 22, battery on law enforcement officer, resist arrest with violence; Salwyn Nurse, 43, felony domestic battery

Dec. 12 - Andrew Washington Jr., 35, domestic battery (warrant); Juvenile, 13, aggravated assault with a weapon; Juvenile, 16, corruption by threat (warrant); assault on a school employee (warrant); disrupting a school function (warrant); Dorothy Williams Freeman, 50, retail theft; Masedonia Allen, 33, resist officer without violence

Dec. 13 - Freddie Lee McGuire, Jr., 20, grand theft auto, petit theft; Travis Sintal Brown, 20, grand theft auto; Willie Cherise Williams, 23, grand theft auto; Rogelio Martinez, 24, grand theft auto; Clyde Wilcher, 20, grand theft auto; Trinimae Laton, 23, felony criminal mischief; Richard Hart, 56, loitering and prowling; Michelle Williams, 31, failure to appear (retail theft), failure to appear (possession of narcotics paraphernalia), failure to appear (retail theft); Mytherland Currier, 20, obstruction of officer; Hilton McClain, 28, violation of probation, robbery, retail theft

Dec. 14 - Juvenile, 16, failure to appear (retail theft); Horatio Cordova, 25, aggravated battery with a deadly weapon, driving under the influence, resist officer without violence

Dec. 15 - Corey Burroughs, 31, robbery, grand theft, possession of cocaine, possession of narcotic paraphernalia, possession of marijuana under 20 grams

Dec. 16 - Laquan Johnson, 21, possession of marijuana under 20 grams, resist officer without violence; Adrian Trevino, 18, failure to appear (violation of park hours); David Trevino, 22, felony domestic battery; Ronnie Booth, 22, domestic battery; Kenneth Brown, 48, no occupational license

Dec. 17 - Barbara Key, 40, failure to appear (domestic battery), violation of court order (no contact); Eric Sanchez, 22, unauthorized possession of identification card; Mischele Leontus, 28, domestic battery

Pahokee

The Pahokee Police Department handled 207 calls, issued 27 traffic citations and made 7 arrests the week of Dec. 11 - Dec. 17. Those arrested included:

Dec. 11 - Orlene White, 19, carrying a concealed weapon

Dec. 12 - Jesus Lopez, 42, drug possession, assault, possession of marijuana under 20 grams

Dec. 13 - Samuel Spencer, 46, possession of marijuana under 20 grams

Dec. 14 - Juvenile, 14, robbery, petit theft

Dec. 15 - No arrests

Dec. 16 - Glenda Diamond, 37, aggravated assault, battery disorderly intoxication

Dec. 17 - Manuel Chavez, 38, aggravated assault; Molly Wetherington, 41, possession of cocaine, obstruction by disguised person, resisting arrest without violence, escape

Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office

The Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office, District 5, made 22 arrests the week of Dec. 11-Dec. 18.

Those arrested include:

Dec. 11 - Elvita W. Hickman, 30, Pahokee, contempt of court, throwing a deadly missile into a vehicle; Juvenile, 14, Belle Glade, domestic battery

Dec. 12 - Michael Jackson, 34, Belle Glade, warrant; Barbara Cornelius, 38, Pahokee, warrant; Debra Ann Dawson, 40, Belle Glade, grand theft auto

Dec. 13 - Juvenile, 16, Belle Glade, possession of marijuana under 20 grams

Dec. 14 - Willie James Jones Jr., 19, Pahokee, domestic battery; Dewra Sharai Smith, 20, Belle Glade, violation of probation battery; Donald Lenn Hill, 26, Miami, warrant grand theft worthless check, violation of probation; Louis L. Robinson, 25, West Palm Beach, burglary to occupied dwelling, petit theft; Ramona Gunter, Jr., 23, Belle Glade, petty larceny and trespassing; Wesley Ray Dorie, 23, Belle Glade, petty larceny and trespassing

Dec. 15 - No arrests

Dec. 16 - Andre Gene Witherspoon, 22, Riviera Beach, introduction of contraband into state correctional facility

Dec. 17 - Jose Valdez, 48, Clewiston, possession of cocaine; Wendall Baldwin, 22, Belle Glade, sale of cocaine; Heine Beauge, 25, Belle Glade, possession of marijuana under 20 grams

Dec. 18 - Lucas Mamott, 18, Belle Glade, warrant; Arthur L. Monroe, 36, Belle Glade, possession of marijuana under 20 grams; Julio Ruelo, 19, Belle Glade, possession of paraphernalia; Lashawanda Donaldson, 22, Belle Glade, violation of probation; Shirley Joachim, a.k.a. Sherry Donaldson, 19, Belle Glade, failure to appear worthless check; Juvenile, 13, Belle Glade, criminal mischief

Correction

An item in the Dec. 10 arrest log was incorrect. Lawalisa MacElven, 21, of Pahokee was not arrested. We regret the error.

Community Foundation Scholarship Directory

Community Foundation Scholarship Directory — A must read this holiday

Parents of high school seniors might want to spend a little holiday-season quality time with their children and a copy of the Community Foundation for Palm Beach and Martin Counties' 2000-2001 Scholarship Directory.

The new edition of the directory lists more than 325 scholarships, including 61 offered by the Community Foundation itself and others awarded by local high schools, colleges and universities, clubs and service organizations, government agencies, foundations and other sources. The majority of these scholarships are targeted to graduating high school seniors, although some are available to adults returning to college.

The directory can be found in high school guidance counselor offices throughout Palm Beach and Martin counties and is available for purchase by individual students for \$10 (in person) or \$12 (by mail, including postage and handling). To order a Scholarship Directory, call the Community Foundation at (561) 659-6800 or toll-free in Florida at 1-888-853-GIFT (4438). Orders also can be placed via e-mail from the Community Foundation's web site at www.yourcommunityfoundation.org.

Publication of the directory is supported by the Briggs-Trible Family Charitable Fund of the Community Foundation.

The deadline to apply for assistance through the Community Foundation's 2000-2001 scholarship program is March 1, 2001. For an application, call Carolyn Jenco at the Community Foundation, send e-mail to cjenco@cfpbm.org or contact your high school guidance counselor.

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The Miracle by Faith Christian Community School received four new computers for their students, just in time for the holidays. Thanks to Warden Willie Floyd, Sr., of Glades Correctional Institution, the electronics class and Mr. Paul Tok, electronics instructor at GCI, the children will be introduced to the wonderful world of computers. Pictured are Bishop Barry Humphrey and Patricia Haslem with the computers from GCI. Mrs. Haslem said, "Warden Floyd is the epitome of a true leader, he has a heart of gold." Bishop Humphrey, long time Glades resident and pastor said, "When I heard the vision for this school, I knew that people like Warden Floyd would come along to help. I would like to thank Warden Floyd and his staff."

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HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION \$25,000

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The Main Office at 301 North Olive Avenue, West Palm Beach will be open at 7:30 a.m. for filing exemptions from January 2 through March 1, 2001

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Mary Sue Woodham

Mary Sue Woodham, 72, of Ashford, Ala., formerly of Belle Glade, died Monday morning, Dec. 18, 2000 at her home following an extended illness.

Mrs. Woodham was born and reared in the Oakey Grove Community of Henry County, Ala., the daughter of the late Charlie and Lannie White Moring. She was a graduate of Abbeville High School. Mrs. Woodham lived in Belle Glade for 40 years before moving to Ashford in 1984. While living in Belle Glade she and her husband owned and operated Woodham's Market for a number of years. Mrs. Woodham

was a member of Bluff Springs Baptist Church. She was preceded in death by three brothers, Ted Moring, Rufus Moring and Kenneth Moring.

Surviving relatives include her husband, Jerome Woodham of Ashford; daughter Susan Diane Grotha and her husband, Jim Grotha, of Deland; son, Gregory Jerome Woodham of Ashford; a sister, Pauline Bostick of Newell, Ala.; two brothers, Bobby Moring of Columbus, Ga. and Louie Moring of Dothan, Ala.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 21 in the Holman-Headland Mortuary Chapel, Headland.

Ala., with Rev. Barry Holcomb officiating. Burial will follow in the Chalkhead Baptist Church cemetery near Ozark, Ala. Active casketbearers will be David Joyce, Dr. Jim Bostick, Ben Bostick, George Phillips, Olsen Grantham and Andrew Lott.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Bluff Springs Baptist Church Building Fund, 1990 Bluff Springs Road, Ashford, Ala. 36312.

Ozie L. "O. L." Motes

Ozie L. "O. L." Motes, 84, of Belle Glade passed away Tuesday, Dec. 12, 2000 in Clewiston.

Mr. Motes was born Feb. 16, 1916 in Phil Campbell, Ala. He moved to Hamilton, Miss. at an early age where he lived until

1957 when he moved to Belle Glade.

Mr. Motes retired from Okeelanta in the early 70's but came out of retirement to work as a security guard at Glades Sugar House for several years. During his early retirement, he often drove for the local GM dealer. Mr. Motes was well known for his "love of new cars" and those who knew him heard of his "trading cars as soon as the ashtray got full."

Mr. Motes was a member of the Belle Glade Church of Christ where he worshipped until his health prevented him from attending services. He was also a member of the Belle Glade American Legion and a World War II veteran who had served in the United States Navy.

He was preceded in death by

his first wife, Robbie Lucille Burnett in 1955, a grandson, John Rives, a step grandson, Bill Webster and a stepdaughter, Sarah Wingate.

He is survived by his wife, Pearl Webster Motes of Belle Glade; a son, Walter Motes and wife, Exie Lee of Hamilton, Miss.; three daughters, Jane Daniel and husband Falyv of Jasper, Texas, Sara Rives and fiancé S. T. Thigpen of Clewiston and Linda Lee of Belle Glade; two stepchildren George Webster and wife Nelle of Belle Glade and Kathryn McCormick of Clewiston.

Mr. Motes is also survived by 16 grandchildren, Raymond Damrel of Houston, Denise Roberts of Alexandria, La., Ricky and Randy Motes of Hamilton, Miss., Patty McLeod of Lake Harbor, Wanda Garner

and Susan Dippel of Clewiston, Anna Lee of Belle Glade and step-grandchildren Cheryl Patten of Miami, Bennie Wingate of Royal Palm, Earl Wingate of Belle Glade, Mike Joe and Pat McCormick and Kay McCormick. Mr. Motes also left behind 35 great grandchildren and 13 great-great grandchildren.

Visitation was held Friday, Dec. 15 in the Chapel of Kraer-Mixson Funeral Home. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, Dec. 16 at the Bell Glade Church of Christ with Rev. Robert Bauer officiating. Interment followed at Port Mayaca Cemetery, Canal Point. Kraer-Mixson Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

BIRTHDAY GIRLS

Several people were presented a birthday cake at the December meeting of the Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center Board meeting. Celebrating birthdays in December are: Center Director Leigh Woodham (seated) and (left to right) Office Assistant Jackie Owens, Dolly Hand and Palm Beach Community College Provost Dr. Helen Franke.

WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Photo/Thacy White

Members of New Hope Charities chorus performed traditional Christmas carols for the children, parents and volunteers who participated in the migrant program's annual Christmas toy-giveaway last Friday. Pictured are Aralina Castellanos, Aramaley Castellanos, Willie Castellanos, Diego Caballero, Vanessa Caballero, Karina Campos, Jose Zavala, Savannah Hull, Denave Williams, Everardo Ortiz, Anthony Peterkin, Andrea Peterkin and volunteer Luz Torres.

TAKE A BOW

Cast members from the Nutcracker take a bow after the Dec. 12 sold-out performance at the Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center. Several local children were members of the cast.

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Sports

Glades Central Raiders bring fifth state championship title to Belle Glade

By Jose Jesus Zaragoza

The Glades Central Raiders fulfilled their goal of bringing home the state 3A championship title on Friday as they defeated Astronaut 20-10. Glades Central was the only football team in the area to go all the way this year. This was the school's seventh state championship game appearance, fourth consecutive championship appearance, fifth championship win, third consecutive championship win, thirty-fifth consecutive victory, third consecutive undefeated season, fortieth playoff win and fifty-fourth playoff appearance - all state records. The Raiders are quickly reaching legendary status.

The game began slow, one of the slower games for the Raiders this season. Both teams appeared to be feeding each other, out watching for weaknesses and attempting to apply different methods for winning. They had both watched videotapes of each other in action and were ready for the challenge.

Both teams went scoreless for the first quarter of the game. They would again reach a stand still during the third.

In the second quarter the Raiders' Joseph Chapple caught a 10-yard pass from quarterback Curtis Holley to score the first touchdown of the game. Astronaut quickly took the opportunity to kick a 45-yard field goal for three points narrowing Central's lead to 6-3. Astronaut scored, again eight seconds into the fourth quarter to take the lead by 4 points.

Curtis Holley connected again in the final quarter with a 29-yard touchdown pass to senior wide receiver Antonio Hill.

With only .29 seconds remaining in the game, Michael Brown ran 39 yards into the end zone for the last touchdown of the game, securing Glades Central's championship title and ending the 2000 Glades Central Raiders High School Varsity Football Season.

"Michael Brown went for 132 yards on 20 carries. Holley completed 11 of 23 passes for 179 yards with two touchdowns and was named Glades Central's Most Valuable Player of the game. Holley was intercepted once during the game.

"As far as we got a very good football team. You don't get to the state championships unless you're very good and they were," commented Coach Bueno.

"We knew they were going to be good. Our kids just went out and we played rest hard four quarters and were fortunate enough to win."

The Glades Central Raiders overcame a myriad of obstacles and confrontations this year. Before the season began, the Raiders lost their head coach.

Pahokee Chamber announces Christmas decoration winners

Directors of the Pahokee Chamber of Commerce toured the community Monday evening, Dec. 18, taking note of the many homes, businesses, churches, boats and campers which took part in the annual Christmas decorating contest. They traveled over 37 miles in approximately three hours and were delighted with the beautiful decorations. Judging was made difficult because of the many wonderful and creative displays. A tremendous amount of work and



Big "A's" Offensive Player of the Week Michael Brown drove in for the final touchdown increasing the Raiders' score 20-10.



Mr. and Mrs. Seider accept gold for Jyron Seider, their son. The Raiders dedicated their season in Jyron's memory.



Head Coach Willie Bueno speaks to a news reporter minutes after leading the Raiders to their third consecutive state championship.



Big "A's" Cheerleaders of the Week

Odexter "Mickey" Freeman after a disagreement between the coach and the school's principal arose regarding the placement of new coaches. Later on in the year, the Raiders were faced with tragedy. One of the players from the team, Jyron Seider, was shot and killed on Martin Luther King Boulevard late on a Friday night over a dice game. The future of the team seemed shaky both on and off. Would a new coach be able to lead the team to victory? Would teammates be able to deal with the death of one of their own? Bringing home the title on Friday provided the Raiders with a symbolic answer to these questions. Yes, the Raiders could come out on top and yes, they could bring home the gold. And for loyal Raider fans, the

outcome was never in doubt. Even the Glades Day Gators came out to salute the Raiders for their magnificent efforts during one of the home games.

One of the greatest records Glades Central reached was 35 consecutive victories. This confirms the coaches' ability to lead the team to the colossal achievement. Although Glades Central holds the fourth longest streak in Florida High School history, the team had enough time to dwell on the fact: "It's a great accomplishment. We really don't talk a whole lot about that. We just go out and prepare every week for the opposing teams. We can't just all caught up in the streak. You just go out and just play every game," said Coach Bueno. Glades Central also became

only the sixth team to win back to back state championships.

As for tragedy, Jyron Seider's death affected the team, but not negatively. Coach Bueno remembers the impact. "I don't ever think they felt like quitting. I think it was a very difficult situation for all these kids to kind of deal with, but you know, they made a commitment to each other that they were going to dedicate this season to him. If anything can be positive from that, I think it was a positive, in fact it kept them together and brought them closer."

When asked what he thought of his first season as Head Coach, Coach Bueno responded, "I have to say it was a very satisfying season."



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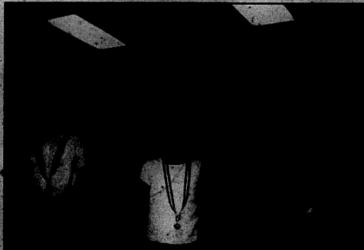
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READING COUNTS!

Gove Elementary School hosted a "Reading Counts!" Celebration, Friday, Dec. 15, recognizing children who met Principal Mary Evan's challenge to read more books.



Teacher Lora Leighty introduces Gove Elementary 1st Grade students who received a medallion for meeting the principal's challenge. They are: Blanca Gonzalez, Jacqueline Mustafa, Alyssa Guinones, Alberto Ramee and Jessica Walker.



Teacher Rachel Hollingsworth presents fourth graders Nuha Abraham, Crisostomo Guzman, Jackery Miller, Jordan Mustafa, Le'Antwon Roker, Sergio Sandoval and Santiago Vital who earned medallions for meeting the principal's "Reading Counts!" challenge.



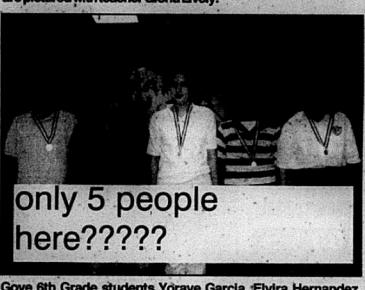
Gove Elementary 5th Grade students who met the principal's reading challenge included: April Burroughs, Cameron Carter, Leonard Dowdell, Amelia Gutierrez, Lennard Jackson, Marcelo Leos, Megan Miller, Tania Torres and Zolla Rivera. The students are pictured with teacher Gloria Lively.



Gove Elementary School 2nd Grade who met the Principal's first reading challenge received a medallion for their efforts. If the students meet the Dec. 1-Jan. 31 challenge, they will receive a pin to add to their ribbons. Second-graders meeting the challenge included Kaylin Cabrera, Roberto Camacho, Javon Carrigan, Cassidy Carter, iveth Ceniceros, James Christas, Chase Courson, Destiney Dowdell, Kasey Dularay, Joshua Feltner, Yandy Florin, Glennika Gordon, Shawn, Tay Gray, Danielle Jones, David Lopez, Lyndal Miller, Anna Moreno, Erika Polanco, Merlie Quintana, Daniel Reyes, Yasemil Romero, Jimmy Saint Jean, Brittany Santos, Khemis Shafara, Brianna Spence and Lashay Symons. Pictured with the students is teacher Diana Williams.



The Gove Elementary School chorus entertained parents, visitors and Gove faculty and staff during the "Reading Counts!" celebration Friday. Pictured, front row, left to right are Andrew Hamilton, Austin Hamilton and Ryan McCarthy. Back row, left to right are Cynthia Orsenigo, Aleigh Miller, Zana Sledge, Ja Stevia Sallex, Kara Roberts and Jessica Bligham.



Gove 6th Grade students Yovare Garcia, Elvira Hernandez, Wayne Johnson, Stephanie Kirchman, Michael Mobley and Edith Rodriguez were recognized by teacher Gloria Lively.

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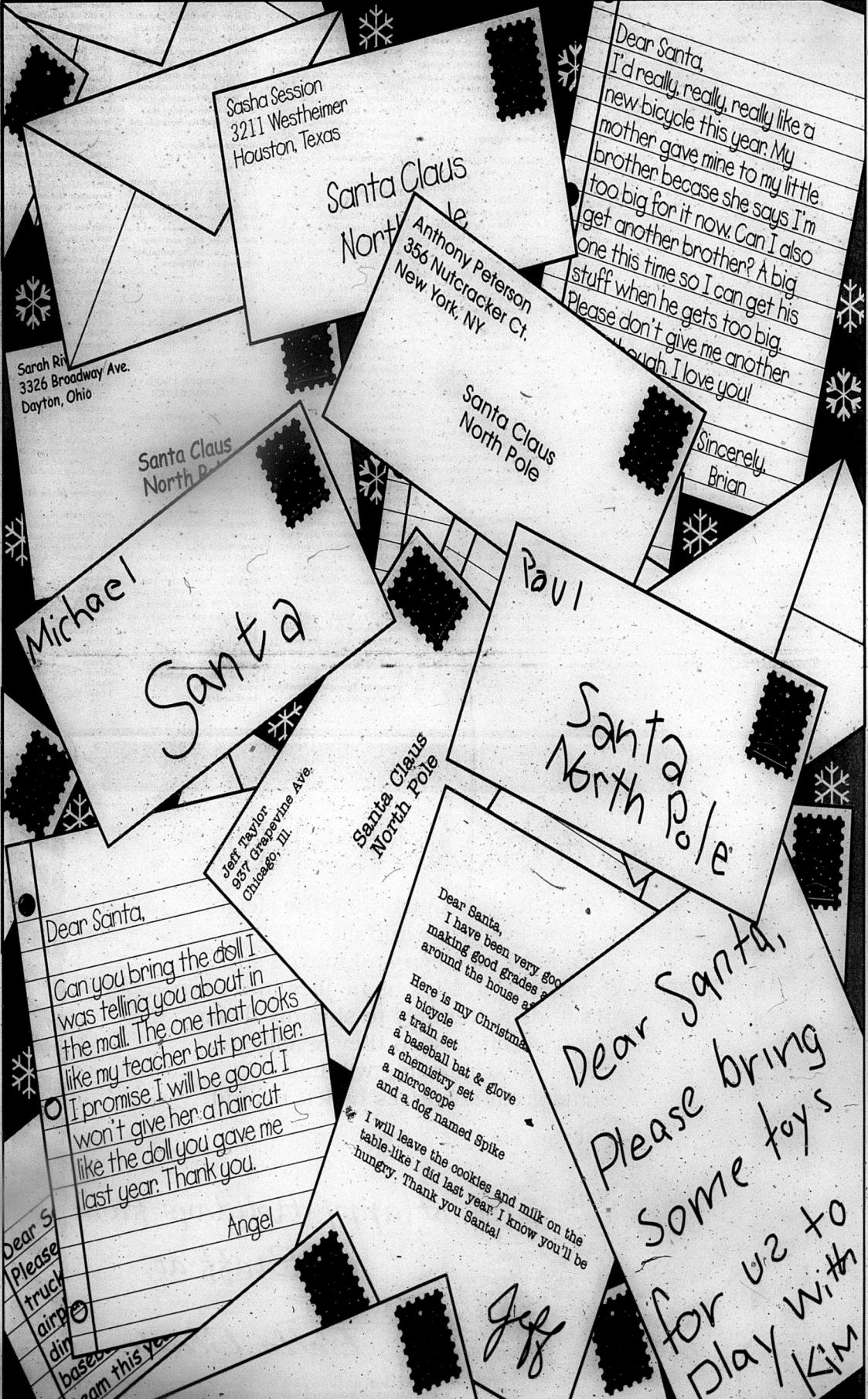
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Belle Glade Elementary

Ms. Humphries' Class

Dear Santa,
I am a great student in Class.
I deserve to get for Christmas.
I want a Remote Control Car
that goes up, Down, left, Right
a Year Two thousand Scooter
and a game boy with Dragon
Ball Z game;
Love for Ever,
Adrian Treviño

Dear Santa,
This is my list of things I want
for Christmas I will like a New
Barbie doll I want a bike for
Christmas and some rolling
skates.

Jonterial Simmons

Dear Santa,
his what I whot for Christmas
a footsheter Bike Some guse
Some close shoes fas crok a
game boy BeueaSite Walkie
take a chick fool save
Brittany Brockman

Dear Santa,
I want you to bring me lots of
toys because I been great this
year first, I want you to bring
me a Scooter. Next, I want a
barbi, finally, I want a pear of
shoes. That is what I want you
to bring me
Thank you
Michelle Zavala

Dear Santa,
stara I went for Christmas is a
89 speed bike in a big pake of
cars. But I real went to give
my mom and dad
Jarod Smith

Dear Santa,
I like Christmas in, I like you
because you are nice in. I like
when people be nice like you
in. I want a ballbottom, in a.
Britney Spears barbie, in a
Britney Spears shirt, in I want
a drass, in some shoes in a
bookback in. I want a math
Advantage, for, I can do my
math in. I want some paper,
for school in. Britney Spears
calendar and a doll.
Gabriela Alba

Dear Santa,

I have been a good boy at my
house in school. I wonder how
you up there at North Pole.
For chrismas I want 2 Play
station tapes and a scooter
come to my house and open
the door with the keys. I want
to draw picture of the things
I want For chrismas
Servando Compean

Dear Santa,

how are you doing at the
North Pole. I'm going to write
this note to you. On Christmas
I want to get these things, I
want a motorcycle car, a 100-
speed Mongoose GT bike and a
pitbull dog. And this the last
thing, I'm going to write on
this paper. I want to see you at
my house but my little brother
like Christmas because he gets
good rays and he like to play
with me.

Love,

Conrado Garcia

Dear Santa,

I like Christmas so much.
Because I am a nice girl. I wish
I can get what I want. I wish I
want a barbie for Christmas.
and a bike. I like you to be
good to

Love: Santa Claws
From: Chimica Jean-Philippe

Dear Santa,

How are you doing at the
North Pole? I have been a good
boy. I want a bike, Madden

2001, helmet and a t.v.

Love,

Johnquavious Green

Dear Santa,

is it good in the
north Pole

I have been a good little boy it
is just I have Ben talking in
the classroom I am Doing my
Home Work and my school
work I have Ben good I did not
Play my game when my mom
said no I Do not go out said I
do what I Poss to Do Santa I
what a Playstation 2 and a
Game Boy Color and a House
for me and my mom and dad
and sister.

Charles Chrisler

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa, it is good in the
north Pole

I have been a good little boy it
is just I have Ben talking in
the classroom I am Doing my
Home Work and my school
work I have Ben good I did not
Play my game when my mom
said no I Do not go out said I
do what I Poss to Do Santa I
what a Playstation 2 and a
Game Boy Color and a House
for me and my mom and dad
and sister.

Charles Chrisler

Dear Santa,

How are you doing at the
North Pole? I have been very
kind this Christmas. I want a
big computer, bike, clothes and
shoes. I like Christmas because
it is a time to have fun. I have
lots of fun with the snow it is
cold but it's fun. I wish it could
snow in Belle Glade, Fl
love,

Julissa Vargas

Dear Santa,

Hello Santa I've been good this
year, and excellent Thanks giving
Day. I like Christmas
Because you get present.
I want skates for Christmas
and some other toys and a
computer.

Love: Santa Claws

From: Chimica Jean-Philippe

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How are you doing at the
North Pole? I have been a good
boy. I want a bike, Madden

2001, helmet and a t.v.

Love,

Conrado Garcia

Dear Santa,

is it good in the north
pole? I have been very kind
this Christmas. I just to tell
you what I want for Christmas.
I want a computer, clothes and
some shoe. I like Christmas
because that is my favorite
mouthe.

Love,

Charkunda Roundtree

Dear Santa,

I am Being the goodies
Student In class and my
Teacher never send me to
office Because I am being a
good boy Santa I want To Tell
you This is what I want for
Christmas is a horses power
radio mountroll car and a
horse power car and a new
sega dream cast and a Big dirt
Bike and a bicycle
Love,
Michael Patterson

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa, it is good in the
north Pole

I have been a good little boy it
is just I have Ben talking in
the classroom I am Doing my
Home Work and my school
work I have Ben good I did not
Play my game when my mom
said no I Do not go out said I
do what I Poss to Do Santa I
what a Playstation 2 and a
Game Boy Color and a House
for me and my mom and dad
and sister.

Charles Chrisler

Dear Santa,

I was a good girl my teachers
say I was very good girl but
Santa I want to have a com-
puter because every chritmas I
want you come at night to give
me my computer and Santa I
want you to have a happy
Chritmas too but on chritmas I
never see my think on chrit-
mas Santa I went to Say
happy Chritmas. And a Cd
played and tape and cd.
By: **Sofia Rinill**

To: Santa

Dear Santa,

I have been a good girl Listing
and I am 10 years old and I
want a playastashon and a
Pair of Follorloids and a
game board color and some
tiPs and a goat (to santa) car:
Cassandra Williams

Dear Santa,

hear is what I want for
Cristmas, like a caper and I
like a barbe. I like a walk and
take

Love,

Erica Daenels

From: Santa

Dear Santa,

I wander how are you up
there in the Noth pole. I am
tring to be a better student in
school. my care teacher side I

am A verey hard worker in her
room. now that I am tring to
work much harder. My
mom and dad sed I am doing
hard at school now to sed
they were going to buy me a

New bike for me also I wanted
to talk you what I wanted for
chrimas I want A scuter, compu-
ter, back street boys
poster, game boy color,
Brittany Spers CD. Hospeto

play toys, CD player, patney.
thank you.
Senserely,
Semiramis

Dear Santa,

Hillo. I am Doing good in

school so can you bring a mon-
sone, Bike, schter, goatcart,
petrsers. If you can't that is

o.K. I understand.

Love,
Donovan Brensley Murdock

I love you Sant.

Dear Santa,

I had been Wondful in class I
will like a gameboy For chris-
mas because I been want a
game For chrismas because my
mom was going to get a game
boy For chrismas and next I
will like a playstation2 and the
Tap that I want for it is
blitz 2000, and a Bike that
would I want for chrismas the
end.

Jarvarous Spivey

Dear Santa,

I been wondering how you are
doing is you Fine What are
you doing for chrismas cause I
won a Free style bicycle and a
Pair of Follorloids and a
game board color and some
tiPs and a goat (to santa) car:
Cassandra Williams

Dear Santa,

hear is what I want for
Cristmas, like a caper and I
like a barbe. I like a walk and
take

Love,

Blanca

Dear Santa,

My name is Matthew Blake
Mitchell. I am 8 years old. I'm
over 4 feet tall. I want a
mountain bike, ravor scooter,
and a four-wheeler. I want a
statue of liberty, Food, and
cool clothing. I want a dog,
fish,friendly snake, and a
cat. Those are the anamals I
want. I want 500,000.00.
Sincerely,
Matthew Blake Mitchell

Dear Santa,

This is what I want for chris-
mas. I want a car. I want so
baby dodi. fist I want to know
how old are you. I thing you
are 41 I Thing mes. Santa is
59 I want a big computer. Can
I have my a house. I want
\$100,000. I want 5 ring
And 3 Name palt say

Lashundra Janay Hill. Tish is
what I want for chrimas.
your friend

Lashundra

Pioneer Park Elementary

Geraldine Russel's Class

Dear Santa,
I am Clarence Lewis. I am in
The Third grade. I want a dirt
bike for chrismas. I want a
PlayStation for chrismas
Your Pal,

Clarence Lewis

Happy chrismas, Santa!

Dear Santa,

This is what I want for chris-
mas. I want a car. I want so
baby dodi. fist I want to know
how old are you. I thing you
are 41 I Thing mes. Santa is
59 I want a big computer. Can
I have my a house. I want
\$100,000. I want 5 ring
And 3 Name palt say

Lashundra Janay Hill. Tish is
what I want for chrimas.
your friend

Lashundra

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Santa,
ve you. You Love metoo. I
ld Like you to give me a
stash2 Ed. You can give
me some plate and a
ox, a New game call
ing around. IWithDemr
withThe Cd. I want a Bike,
New Jordans, in gold, sil-
toulna game Boy with
s. I would Love to get The
Bow Bow Cd in 2 Bracelet
necklace, a Walkalk's
Ringina ear Ringina
In the RugRat in Paris
move. I would like a tor-
twister with car. In Radio
Drum with STICK. In a
puter CD Player.
ie Brown

Santa,
is Christmas? Are you
ng fun delvering prizon to
kids? Do you know What
e have for Christmas? I
like to have a football and
yStation 2. And books and
Sector 2. That is all I wont
Christma. I have gift for
too. Some Milk and
candy. And I hope you a
e Christmas.
frind
ndon Torrence

Santa,
in you know what I want
Christmas? I want a cd
er, radio, Tornado Twister,
ch E. Chesse Pizza
ory, Millionaire game
on a TV. That what I
t for Christmas. And also I
a bike. If you buy all
at stuff I will be so happy.
ery.
onio McGregor

Santa,
I like to tell you what I
t for chrimas. I want a
computer, a doll, a Big
too, and a new house. Just
my mom and dad and
her and Sisters. We love to
a new house. Just for us.
I like some toys too and
self to. what ever you
to give me...
ry chrimas
a
nda Stewart

Santa,
e Christmas because you
open presents and stuff
set to play games and be
your friends, during
times Me and my Friends
baseball, Football and
etball that is What me and
friends do on Christmas
what I want for Christmas
dark Mic gwier baseball
please.
e Trevor

Santa,
asking you please bring
gift. I am 9 years old. I
can give a 9 years old
ent. I ask you for a you can
me a bike. If can't give me
just give me a gift that
I am asking you for.
a. Merry Christmas! And
forgot... can give me a
e plate. It's just like a
lue.
ery,
a Dukes

Santa,
riend Santa, I will like to
ne a game and a scooter.
o Platcar and book and a
Rats moves, computers
ARIS Baldwin

Santa,
ow Mrs Santa doing I am
an old can you get me a
love dog. Can you get me
a shirt. How are your
doing. Can you get me a
base ball bat can I see
Can me a phone.

Santa,
nt a football, two bottle
a scooter, bask ball gold a
n shoulder pades, hip
and this pades, and the
a, and a bike with pegs
ro soaker, Bahamen Cd,
bowbow a wwf shirt
der Wooten

Dear Santa,
I want for chritmas is a Baby
Doll and a bike scooter and A
name Plate and so Much of
Baby Doll and COMPUTERS
and \$8.00 and the PlaySttion
and some ShoSome JORDAN
and fluse States Jackit. Radia
Picture camera book puzzle
Your friend
Zelheulia Billings

Dear Santa,
How you elives? I hope that
you come to my house. I
want a shirt I want some shoe. I
want a Scooter. I want nine
rings and a pony. I want birl
doll. Another biceeple. My name
is Shayla. My dad want a
remote control car. An plese let
it Snow An good toys big toys.
And my mother a bracelet. My
uncle lexus, Navigator. My sis-
ter more shoe 3 pacer. A C.D.
Player and 7 puppy and
nine booksbags and some
clothes and some reading
books. I want a better time
Your friend,
Shayla Bynes

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I will like a
Nameplate and a computer,
but we have a computer at
home I like Christmas. I want
a game for Christmas. I well
like if you get me some little
cars and some toys and a new
house.
Your, friend Everton Nation
To, Santa

Kathryn E. Cunningham/Canal Point Elementary

Ms. Mitchell's Class

Dear Santa,
Santa I am a good girl in
school and do my best and I go
to K.E.C. Canal Point Elmentry
school and my teacher name is
Ms. Mitchell and santa can
you please bring me something
from the North pole and I
want a scooter, sede of boww
aball, baby doll, finger nails, A's
and B's, Windy the pooh. Santa
can you please bring me all of
those thing what I wrote down
and I wish you a merry chrit-
mas and a happy new years. I
Love you Santa.
Kiara Crawford

Dear Santa,
Will you get me a dirt bike for
chritmas? First, because I like
dirt bikes end I will ride it
everyday.
Ke'Juane P.

Dear Santa,
This is what I want for chritmas.
I want a CD player, a ice
cream maker. A Easy Baker. A
watch. A diamonds ring. A
Scooter. A Bike. A Dancie
Dabbie. A pooh Bear suppile.
coffee maker. A cutton candy
maker. A pooh Bear BookSack.
Books to read.
Mikerra Jenkins

Dear Santa,
this is what I want for
Christmas first I want is a Ice
Ceam maker. Next I want is a
talking doll. Then I want a
suter. Then I want a note pad.
Then I want a rado and a
game and two more things.
Then I want a coke maker and
that is all what I want.
Anniee Brown

Dear Santa,
I want 1 thing for chrishtmas.
And I want a pawer ranger
lightseped resyou maga-
for-sard for chrishtmas too play
and keep.
Your friend,
Terry Peete

Dear Santa,
Santa I won't three things for
chrishtmas. Let me tell you
some.

First I wont a goar for I can
go ready fast with it and I can
pull my brother and sister on
it.
Second I won't a big tent for I
can camp out side all night
long and when morning come I
will have my tent like a Play
house.
Finally I wont a little football
and I won't the pads for
When all my familly come to
our house for chrishtmas for
eat and play.
Santa I wish for my three
things to come true
Jamall Ben

Dear Santa,
Dear Santa For chirstams I
like to. have a Barbie house.
and a Barbie and, a Barbie
cameron too! Please, Santa
Bring me Those. toy I'll be
good For your and I am in Kee
canil Point Elementary school.
My techer is Ms. Mitchell. I
used to be in MRS. SProuse
Class I miss her and my six
Firends too Very much.
Cendi Oropesa

Dear Santa,
I will ill a bike For I can
ride it. And I will go in get my
Friend and we will go to the
park. And we will ride, ride,
ride. We is going upstimes at
my Friend howe and we will go
to her Father howe For some
maby for She can go to the
part they will how Food thers.
And will the party is over we
will go to the pack and ride
our bike on the basketball thing.
We will ride Fast on the
basketball thing. And I will go
have to get my sister and She
will ride her bike to and will is
go to my big sister have by of
my Father has her to girl and no
boy.
Andreaneshia Powell

Dear Santa,
I would like a be-began so I
can. Proteck My self because I
don't have Know body to
Proteck me When my Dad
gone out of town.
Edie Brooks

Dear Santa,
These are the things I want for
Christmas is a Windy the Pooh
bear bedroom set and I want a
Dancing Debbie Doll and I
want bike for Christmas. I
want a Barbie volkswagen car
with Barbie dolls and a scooter
and celebation Baribe and a
Princess Bride Baribe.
Love,

Mikerra Woodfolk

Dear Santa,
Have you ever had a favorite
new year? Well I did! Let me
tell you about it.
First, I won't a remök introll
car. I will have it all day I will
have fun. Next, I won't a go
car. I will ride it all day. I will
let my brother hole it. Lost, I
won't and ear tom set. I will
listen to it all day.
Eugene Slydell

Dear Santa,
I want two thing for
Christmas. Let me tell you
what I want?
first. I what books to read
books I Love to read I school
in my hide and seek book that
is my reading book I like to
read in my hide and seek book
Santa so would you Pleses get
me some books.
Second, I what some dolls Let
me tell you the Second I what.
I what some dolls any kind
and that is what for
Chirstmas.

Laquosha Graham

**Kathryn E.
Cunningham/Canal
Point Elementary**

Ms. Harris' Class

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I hope you
are doing fine. Let me tell you
what I want for chrishtmas.
First I want is an Gabe Boy
Color. It have three button on
it. One have up and down and
over and over and resets and
two bratten a hile. I want an
blue and blue

Next I want is some mallracks.
They is like gallas. And they are
round. They are hamrd.
Love,

Demetrious Walker

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I am doing
very well. I really want to see
you. How cold is it at the
NorthPole. I hope you come
this Chritmas. It is very, very,
very well out here. Are you
ready for Chritmas. Well I am.
Let me tell you some of the
things I really want.
First, I would like a bike. I will
want it to be red and black.
And I would like to have a
extra pair of tires. I would like
it to have big black tires.

Next, I would like a dirtbike I
want it also to have big black
tires. I want it also to have big
black tires. I want it to be reds
white, and green with my
name on it.

Then, I would like a trun-
poline. I want it to be a King
size trampoline. And I would
like it to have many sticks.
And I would like the middle
to be red.

Last, I would like to have a
basketball goal. I would like
to have a basketball goal. I
would like it to be three times
bigger than I am. I would like
it to be all black.

Christmas is my favorite hol-
iday because of you Santa. I
will always celebrate
Christmas.

Love,

Daniel Fonseca

Dear Santa,
How are you doing. I am doing
fine. I want toys for Christmas
and game. I want a few things
for Christmas.

the first thing I want for
Christmas is a PlayStation 2. I
will get cd's like football Royal
Fuble. Then I want is No
Merry, and basketball too.

The next thing I want is a
Sega Sport. I want a lot of cds.
then I get NFL2K and
NBA2K. Then I want a stoot
too. Then I have what I want
for Christmas.

Santa how are you and you
reindeers doing. Is Rudolph
the red nose reindeer doing all
now. I like Rudolph the red
nose reindeer. He is my
favorite reindeer.

Love,

Zachary Allen Jr.

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I hope you
are doing fine. Are you ready
for Christmas. Let me tell you
what I want for Christmas.

The first, things I want is a
gold scooter. And pegs on it. I
also want a freestly with pegs
on it.

First, I want a freestyle, it is
black and red. And I want pegs
on it. I have black tires.
next, I want a basketballgoal.
It is bog not to big. And I want
a basketball to play with.

Last, Christmas is my favorite
holiday because you get toys to
play with.

Love,

Joe Eason

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? Well, I
hope your doing fine. Are you
ready for chritmas? Well let
me tell you about what I want
for chritmas.

First, I would like to have a
Mongoose bike for chritmas. I
would like the bike pink and
purple. I would like the bike
with silver peds.

Next, I would like a Winnie
the pooh necklace. I would like
a name plate and a bracelet
also.

Last, that all that I would like
from you. I wis you a happy
christmas and a happy
new year.

Love,

Juanie Carter

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for Christmas.

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reindeers doing. Is Rudolph
the red nose reindeer doing all
now. I like Rudolph the red
nose reindeer. He is my
favorite reindeer.

Love,

Patricia Contreras

Dear Santa,
How are you doing. I hope you
are doing good. Let me tell you
what I want for Christmas.

The first, things I want is a
gold scooter. And pegs on it. I
also want a freestly with pegs
on it.

The next, thing I want is a
dangonflockintran car. And
a Playstation two and
Smackdown 2 tape. I also want
a No Mursey tape.

Last I want a boxing set. And
a basketball goal with a basketball
I also want a name plate.

Love,

Raheem Buxton

Dear Santa,
How are your reindeers doing?
I don't know do Rudolph
still light? Santa is Mrs.
Claus doing OK? Now Santa
these are all the things I want
for chritmas.

I want a Jewel Girl Barbie.

Why I want a Jewel Girl
Barbie? Because her turn my
real moves. She has red
changing clothes. I want a
Game boy color. Why I want a
Game boy color? I come with a
lot of game and it is in dif-
fent colors. I want a Doll
House with lot of stuff in it
and people that come with it.
I want a Scooter with wheels
that I like and it has wheel so
I could ride good with them.

Santa these are all the things I
want for Christmas.

Love,

Melsharia McKinney

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I feel
astonishing. I will tell you
What I want for chritmas.

The fist thing I want is a magni-
ficent bracelet 15 carat
gold. I want the bracelet to
have 5 diamonds. I want it to
be stunning.

The next thing I want is a puny
little dog named teKna.
He is a robot dog. He is an
enjoyable toy.

The last thing I want is a
trampoline. I want a gigantic
one. It will be very exciting.
That's all I want.

Love,

Ashliana Desposito

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I feel
good. Let me tell you what I
want for chritmas.

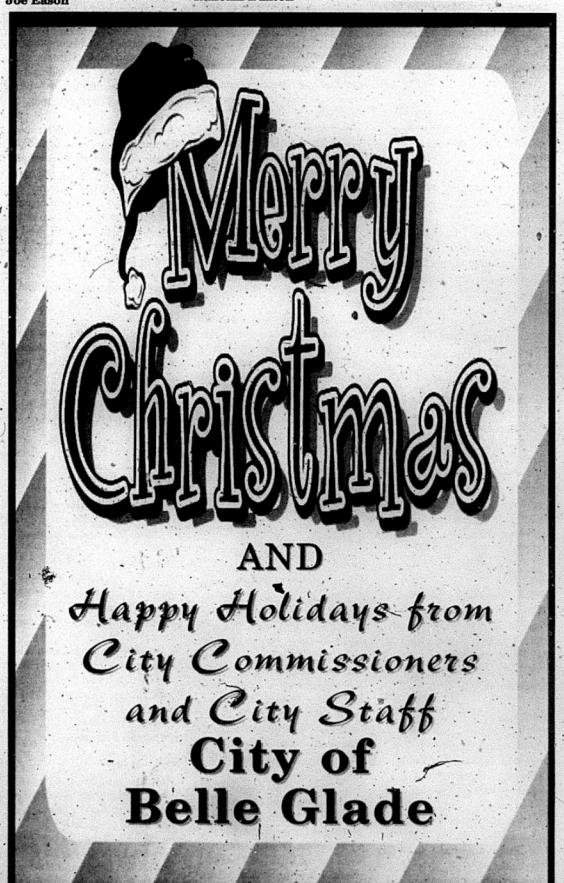
First, Santa i want a game
name Taken Tag Tournament.
I want it because the mans
and the women fight fast as the
Matrix.

Next, Santa I want a scooter
for chritmas. I want it
because it rides fast, a mon-
goose. It is a Whit D. It is also
black.

Last, Santa I all I want for
chritmas. Please get those
things for me. Have a good
time Santa with Rudolph and
the other reindeers.

Love,

Antonio Milian



Gove Elementary*Mrs. Bratt's Class*

Dear Santa,
This year I was very good. This year I want a N64 game called Tony Hawk Pro Skater because I only have 3 games and I really like that one. I would also like a Scooter so I could ride around the neighborhood. I would also like a CD player because I can't bring our stereo in the car when my mom and dad want to listen to their kind of music. I would like new roller blades because my old ones are rusting. I would also like a computer so I could practice writing and my spelling words. I also want a Baha men CD because I like their songs and it's a CD because I like their songs and it's a CD for my CD player. I would also like some cool boots so I could walk around in some new shoes. I hope I get everything I want. Sincerely,

Alana Jade Byrd

Dear Santa,
This Year I've been a little good and a little bad but still bring me the present's that I am going to ask for. First, I want for chrismas a bike. Second, I want for chrismas a gameboy. Third, I want for chrismas a Poochi Dog. Final, I want for chrismas a pair of iKates and a computer. Sincirly,

Marin

Dear Santa,
This year I was being good with my family ther are a lot of things I want for chrismas. I hope I get a lot of playstacion games to play with. The other thing I want for chrismas is a scooter for I can ride with my sister. The other thing I want for chrismas is a pool for I can swim. The other thing I want is a GoCart to race with people on it. The other thing I want for chrismas is a humbox for I can listen to music. The other thing I want for chrismas is a

game of monopoly and Life. The other thing I want are movies for I can see with my friends if they come sleep over. These are some of the thing I want for are beautiful chrismas. Love Yanet Acosta

Dear Santa,
This year I been not that a good I which you can bring me presents. Santa I am sorry because I been a little bad by hitting My sister Santa I am sooo sorry for been so bad Santa I want to tell you if you can give me some presents

I want is: a Game Boy to play with when I am bored and I want some Roler Skates and I want a Poochi Poochi is a little robot dog also I want a real computer to tips on an Sant I want arinding bookbag I love rinding it
Love,
Martha Jaimes

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like to have a scooter so I can ride all over my neighborhood. The other thing I want a pochi so I can play with a dog that won't talk me. I have been very good this year. I hope I get everything. I hope you have a very good Christmas Santa.
Love,
Laura Deboden

Dear Santa,
I Know some people do not believe in you but I do. I believe in you so does my family. For Christmas I would like To bring me a Telescope, Bike, ill Snifles, Computer, My Real Baby, My Size Barbie, and some Bananucles. Please Santa please Bring me those things thanks Santa and Merry Chritsmas.
Your friend,
Ilianna Hernandez

Dear Santa,
This year I want a "WF Mayhem" ring and three "DrgonballZ" action Fugure

toys". I want the ring for playing with the Drgenballz toys inside of the ring. And I also want a "X-men" toy. That X-men toy I want it for the same reason. I am in 3rd grade but I still like toys. Its simple. Monkey see Monkey Want.

Juan Carlos Rodriguez

Dear Santa,
This year I have been oily good So I would love a scooter to take my sister to the mall and leave her th. I would also love a new game for my 64 brother. And a bralet for my sister. And that's all I would like for chrismas.

**Love,
Fernando**

Dear Santa,
This year I bin good I wante scoror, a remote, contrroll truck with gasoline, and a puppie can you bring the present's That I want. I all wise wan't a scuror and a remote contro truck with gasoline on it

Ivan Sanchez

Dear Santa,
This year what I want most of all For Christmas is a scooter with blue wheels, a password journal, and a CD/Tape player. I want these most of all because everyone has a scooter, some people like my friend Dori has a password journal and I want a boom box because my walkman broke. Oh ya I've been really good this year! Don't forget to stop at my house.

Love,
Emily Pope

Dear Santa,
This year I want a mio-chi and poo-chi, 2 pairs of Glutes, True you, a compurta, waKyJalys, Dizes for Macklin Jewelry, Don't wack Daddy, life, Pop Gas Perfection, Twister The Hot Spot Nail Creation, watch, Little Marmad two return to the sea, Guldory, CD Jewery. Please forgive me of all of the things I did bad.

From: Your little Angel,
Anna

Dear Santa,
That year I only want a scooter. Because my mom told me that You were real and I really wanted a scooter. and maby other things like a Gravedigger. Those are cool. I like it too For chismas. If you don't Bring me a niting I told you It's O.K. with me. al I want is Want For Chismas.

From: Jennifer Puig
To: Santa clause

Dear Santa,
This year I want a Nintendo 64 and a scooter for I can race my brother and take my little brother for a ride.

**Love,
Reyes**

Dear Santa,
This year I bin good I wante scoror, a remote, contrroll truck with gasoline, and a puppie can you bring the present's That I want. I all wise wan't a scuror and a remote contro truck with gasoline on it

Ivan Sanchez

Dear Santa,
This year I want a scooter and a skateboard so I can take it to the park and do some chicks. I really want a Play Station 2 with lots of games and a miami dolphin jaket.

Aristeo

Dear Santa,
This year I want you to get me a box of toys because I've been good. And I want you to get me a remote control car A bicycle and a computer, a VCR. The reason why I want these toys is because I like to play with toys. And my second reason is because toys are fun.

From: Ernest
To: Santa Claus

Dear Santa,
This year I was a good boy so I can have two dragon Ball Z toys. So I can have a collection of them. I also want the set of Banjo Poole for 64. So when its cold I can play it. I also want a digimon and pokeman toy. So I can play with them that all I want for Chismas Santa.

Sincerely,
Leone Lastra

Dear Santa,

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From: Jennifer Puig**To: Santa clause**

Dear Santa,
This year I want a Gen good Santa This year I would like a scooter to ride around. And a hamster to play with at my house.

**Sincerely,
Matthew Don**

Dear Santa,
This year I want a Gen good Santa This year I would like a scooter to ride around. And a hamster to play with at my house.

**Sincerely,
Matthew Don****Dear Santa,**

For Christmas I will lik to have a Chekers game and books to read a colorind books that what I want for Chismas you.

Elizabeth

Dear Santa,
This year what I want for chismas is a T.V. and a Tweety watch. And I hope my mommke's some Tomales for our Posado and she bought a box of candy canes and we are going to give you, Santa, some cookies and some milk. And I hope my tias give me a ring that has a green stone. Santa I want to have a good Christmas with you.

Yazmin Caza**Dear Santa,**

This year I've been hoping for a scooter, rollerblades, shoes, and clothes. I wanted a scooter because I like to push it with my feet and then the wheels light up. And also I want rollerblades because I coul'd get better and better knowing how to rollerblade. And I want clothes and shoes because they look good when you where them. And finally what I really want is that all the people in the world that celebrates Chismas coul'd have a good time! That all what I was hoping to get for Chismas.

**Your friend,
Jaclyn Garza'**

Dear Santa,

This year I want a scooter because this year I have been very good in school. I have been getting very good grades in my school. This year I want a dog because I don't have one I want a boy dog because I also want a cat or a kitte because I never had one before in my hole life and also want four bell bottom because I am running out of them. I also want four shirts that match with the bell bottoms

**Love,
Vanessa Saucedo**

Dear Santa,

This year I want a green scooter because I want to ride it all days when I come from school and I want a Gameboy with allot of Games for me and my brother can play with it when we are bored. Santa I would like to if you gave me a P.T. cruiser that is a car for tell my dad to take me to the Park and show me how to ride it that all I want for this year because that's what is realy fun to me.

**Love,
Maricela****Glade View Elementary***Mrs. Deliard's Class*

Dear Santa,
This year I have a new game boy color for chismas And I would like a new bike for Chismas And I would like a computer for Chismas And I would like a baby doll for Chismas. And I would like a scooter for Chismas. And I would like a new game boy for Chismas. And I would like a baseball ball for Chismas. And I would like a baseball bat and clothes to for Chismas. And I would like a cotton candy maker for Chismas. And I would like a fishing Pole for Chismas. And I would like to ride in You sled with You Santa. And I would like a big rose for my mom. And I would like a big Yard behide my house.

Leavonda Spies

Happy Holidays

from the Staff & Management at

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Dear Santa,

Hi. My name is Samantha Wooten I have been a good girl this year and I will like a squire for Christmas so I can ride on.

And I will want some skates so I can have fun with my friends and a new RugRats game to play when I don't have nothing to do. I will like a boomer to look like a little dog to play with it like a really dog. And when I get my gift I will like them to sit Santa and all the other girls I will like them to and I will still remember you Santa for every oned Christmas come.

Love,
Samantha Wooten

Dear Santa,

I would Want Me a gift for Christmas because I been such a good boy I want me a Scooter This is how you use it put one foot on it and the other off then push you can change feels with different color it can go different Way that is What I Want for Christmas S.N.

Sincerely,
James Lomar Sims Jr.

Dear Santa,

I'm writing this story to let you know I want for Christmas I would like a scooter and a ring. Next I would want a scooter because you don't have to Pattle and I would like to have a ring My mom said you were ded but I don't believe her my mom said you got ran over by a AirPlane my mom like you when you was Santa Claf is a White man he love to bring kids stuff.

Isiah Corbett

Dear Santa,

This story is wrot by Oscanique Sone's Boatwright My goal is to see your Bruteface if I see you I will Be so happy to see you is you White are Black But I Think that you are Black for creistem I will like a Black I will like a Doll and Shucks and a name pat and a nell!Sat and I will like a baby Doll Sat and I will like a baby Doll Bay and a pecher Whitt you will like in Thing But not boys stof I am 9 year cold and I am in the 3rd and my bridiDay is May the 24, 1991. Dont fr get you friend Oscanique.

Dear Santa,
I have Been good and Doing My work and class.
Santa I wont you to Bright me a doll and Santa I made Jourroll and I wont the doll talk to you and I sount comparte But my mom and going to Buy it and I wont a new Birk and I wont more Shoe, and Clothes, and I wont another Dear Diary Clusie unganigen and I wont a Skuer and on the Stuy I can not like

From: Andrewnique N. Louis
b: Santa

Dear Santa,
want two things from you . the first thing I want is a boomeybo. As the second thing want is a dog. I want the little dog for no body want go in my house and my yard. An I want the dog to be brown and lack with a black line on its ack. I want my Gameboy to e green and black. An I want cause I want to bottle we m'end and my friend. To An I want my Gameboy to have ames. That the ownly things I want you Santa. An I will get the ss for my mom.
Innar Augustin

Dear Santa,
am writing this letter to you . tell you what I want for Christmas is a hand held digital computer. I could want a hand held digital imputer because I want to arm my math and reading. the second reason why I want a handheld digital computer I want to learn my division and three digit time tables. would use it by cutting it on the on Switch and cutting it by the off Switch. The secnd reason how I would use it

is when I stop playing with it will cut it off and let it run and get really hot. there you have it your wonderful letter telling you what I want for Christmas, Why, and how I would use it.

Your Friend,
Kamika Garrett

Dear Santa,

I am sending you this letter because this I what I want for christmas. I would like you to give me a scooter for christmas. I would put milk a chocolate cookies. I would ride my scooter on the street it will be a lot of fun. I am being good at school. I would like you to bring me a scooter for christmas.

Your Friend,
Emanuel Gonzalez

Dear Santa,

Santa mors vele computer mou me conserve la cay moins besion machine foiete. besion houhee ave ballons moins besion fuit foiete ave. moins besion yon hake noise Bole yon hake foiete moins besion kin di. You hake joete Dear Santa.

Love,
Shelande

Dear Santa,

I need a Baby doll and computer and a Baby doll and a Gacko Because I listend to My radio Beacuse I love Santa and when I sit in front of the tv, it's Not Good so sawtter Please

Please omit some toy for and I Need A Baby doll who is big and am I Need Computer to fix

My house and A Geyl telephone A Bear lot of Bear

Beacuse I need to fix my I

need Box of toy and A lot of

Box of toy and A Piano

Beacuse I Need to fix My

house,
Love,
Walkina

Dear Santa,

I am not such a "good" girl in class will not like Kamides. Will I been good at home I only want a little Present. I want a Mickey Mouse watch. A doll. And a Make-up Set." that's all I want for Christam!

Kenyia

Dear Santa,

I been Behavior a little Bit and I would like For you to Bring me a Barbie Doll Jeep. The grinch movie, computer, clothes and that's all I want

and if you Don't Bring it it's O.K. With me and I wish you can Bring me a little Puppy and It will Be White and Black like 102 Dismas. Merry

Christmas Santa and have a Nice Holiday. Don't For get to write me a note Back on and one thing I got to tell you was that's I Didn't Make the Honor roll but I am going to make it this time O.K. Bye.

Rankeria Phillips

Dear Santa,

I have been a good girl ever day and middle the present I should get is a scooter because I am a good girl and I listen to the teacher and get my work on time and I think the homoroll and I think that I should get the scooter and that is the present. I should get for me and when I get one I will treat it with care and I will try not to get it dirty and if I got it dirty I will clean it of and put-it up in the shed.

Vanessa Small

Dear Santa,

What Would it be gameboard in Me in My Sisters with my gameboard in my Mi friend had play my gameboard.

Donald Johnson

Dear Santa,

I want this to be your letter and I hope you come to give me my presents that we want. Because I want a SKoster a remote control car and real walkie talkies. I like

Christmas better than I like Thanksgiving and I like present to open. On my birthday I will get me a brand new computer from the Radio Shack with a music with it that you can record and a C.D. rom and I will have fun with my computer.

Antonio Darie Brown

Glades Day Elementary

Ms. Coker's Class

Dear Santa,
How are the reindeer? Santa; I would like to have a scooter and a Play Station 2, and the game NFL Blizz 2, 2001.

Your friend,
Jose Pozo

Dear Santa,

I am playing a PlayStation 2. I want a Scooter that it's tires light up. How are you doing Santa.

Will you get me a reindeer that can fly. Santa will you get me a sleigh. Thank you Santa claus.

Victoria Lynn Yates

Dear Santa,

I would like to have a scooter and a mongoose or a dino bike. And some CD's And some FSU stuff, some miami hurricanes stuff and hope you give me all that and I forgot some thing for my nintdo 64. Could I have somogame and what's gone on at the shop.

And now's Rudolph, the red nose reindeer going? I hope he is not going to be sick before Christmas and I hope all your elive's can make that much stuff.

Your friend,
Clinton

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph? I want it nail polish and us to have two months from school and twice a year Christmas and a slinky phone and alap top shoes.

Your friend,
Jontahn Hawkins

Dear Santa,

I want a Scooter and I want a Action man toy and a Hart necless for my mom and a working tolls for my dad

Marry Crimas to all.
your friend,
Jeff Therrissant

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want 2 cumputer, 4 game boy colors with 16 games, \$6,000 dollars in cash, 7 guitars, 9 stereos, 17 tv, 8 cell phones, and 19 cds. that's all. Bye.

Your friend,
Jeff Therrissant

Dear Santa,

Why dont you ever shave your beard? I want a scooter and I wish to have the rest of school year off. I dream of a White

Christams Santa I have 12 chickens, 4 gerbils, 1 horse, 2 cats, 2 dogs, 1 ginnae pig, 5 quill I wish I could have Christmas all the time.

Love, Wendy

Dear Santa,

I don't want anything for Christmas. I just want to Play with my cousins. I want to have a fun with my buddies and have a fun time celebrating and that I have a fun with my uncle Jason and my aunt Ashley. My cousins Bryan, Keri and David. My other cousins Jeshau and Brook and my Me Me and DAdy Mike and Me Ma and my Dad and my Mom and my Brother and my Cousins in Tennessee and Georgia.

Brandon Cunningham

Dear Santa,

I want a Gopeg and I want it to snow and I want a watch and a dirt Bike. I wish that my step brother to come Home I want a male American Pit Bull and I want a merry Christmas

From: Hunter

Dear Santa,

A Comando bot and Tekno and I want the Grich to visit. How is your wife and Cupid. Please bring Rudolph and Show viser Love,

Charles

P.S. Hope you like the cookies.

Dear Santa,

I want a dirtbire because they are cool. and I want a fourteen and skates, and a hamster.

From: Curtis

To: Santa

Dear Santa,

I want to ask you if it can snow in FL and I want some toys too.

From: DAWN

Dear Santa,

Here's to a lovely Christams and

a new year full of peace.

Best Wishes for a happy holiday season.

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antonio Darie Brown

Dear Santa,
I want to ask you some stouf. I want a puchy and a puppy and some brasilita and a game boy. And a giny pig but I want a brown with blak eyes. And I want a 4 weeler. And I want a hamster. And I want some roller blads. And horse. And 5 yoses. And a shark and a bascet ball. And 50 fish.

Victoria Lynn Yates

Dear Santa,

all I want for Christmas A scooter and a mongoose or a dino bike. And some CD's And some FSU stuff, some Miami hurricanes stuff and hope you give me all that and I forgot some thing for my nintdo 64.

Could I have somogame and what's gone on at the shop.

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Christmas and I hope all your elive's can make that much stuff.

Your friend,

Clinton

Dear Santa,

I want a Jewell Set and a finger nail maker and I went some four wheel shake and a Bike and now I am gone to write Ponl. Rose or red vole are Blue Song is Sweet and so of you I love you Santa

Your friend,

Anthona

Dear Santa,

I miss you my sister told me you fall in snow and Die so I am white in a note to you first I'll think some one else will be Santa so if you was a live you will come throw my chimely and give me game boy two.

Second A game boy two look like a clean little game I want to take it to school to show it off

third if my teacher goe it it will get take from me

forth give it my teacher will give it back at the end of the year it will take a long time.

your friend,

Bradley

Dear Santa,

for Christmas I would like a scooter, a barbie boltswagon beetle, also a art desk. The reason why I won't this because...

First, I always wanted these

things and the art desk is wonderful I'm a good artist.

Second, And I want a scooter,

because after school I can ride it home with out being tired.

third, I want the barbie car

because it's my dream isn't the preist car ever

your friend,

Stephanie

Dear Santa,

I am going to tell you what I want for Christmas a CD player with a Lil, Bow Wow Cd and a new bike with a horn.

Second, I want a nail shop

with colorful beads with finger

nails polish and Grille.

third, I want a computer and a

CD to go with My computer

and a printer to go with it.

four, I would want a Barbie

House and a Chalk board

and a doll.

your friend,

Michelle

Dear Santa,

I would like to say Merry

Christmas and a Happy New

Year:

I would like to have these

Things for Christmas I would

Like to have a new bike car

train and a Remote Contrall

car if you can put these Things under My Tree by Christmas I

fit in the sleigh? I don't want so many toys because some kids do not have any toys at all. So can you do me a favor please and give them the toys. Thank you. I hope you have a Merry Christmas.

Love,

Stephanie Rodriguez

Dear Santa,

I am in 3rd grade at Glades Day School. My teacher is Mrs. Coker and she is nice like you. I want a computer for Christmas. I hope it will snow and I will make snowmen. I want a play station and the Grinch Who Stole Christmas movie and I want my grandma to bring something for my brother and sister and my cousin.

Finally, This is the last thing I want for Christmas is a game boy That is it.

Your friend,

Charles

Allyssa

Dear Santa,

I love You and this is a list that I went for Christmas I went a Jewl Set and a finger nail maker and I went some four wheel shake and a Bike and now I am gone to write Ponl. Rose or red vole are Blue Song is Sweet and so of you I love you Santa

Your friend,

Anthona

Dear Santa,

I am so happy that I can write to you. This is what I want for Christmas is a bike, computer, finger nail.

The first thing is a bike

because I did not have one.

The Second thing is an computer because e I want to play on

The third thing is some finger

nails becaus I want my finger to design.

Thes is what I want for Christmas.

From: Cathy

Dear Santa,

This is Cloverreen I want you to bring me This when you come over here, a name played Clothes Shore an Radio an a car

First I want you to bring me is a name played so I can look good for my Clothes an Shore.

Second, I want you to bring me is a Radio so I can listened to music to make me dance.

Third, I want you to bring me a car so I can drive it to take me little brother to school.

Your friend,

Cloverreen Jordan

Dear Santa,

I would like to say Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year:

I would like to have these

Things for Christmas I would

Like to have a new bike car

train and a Remote Contrall

car if you can put these Things under My Tree by Christmas I

missuseen.

First reson is it my fault show I watch it every day.

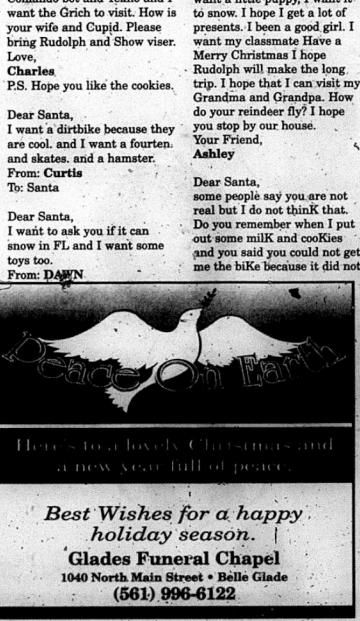
Now Gonk is a sooper silver.

I love that show it will all was

be my show.

Your friend,

Eugene



Dear Santa,
Hi My Name is Markevious I
Will like to have a Sagadrem
cash and a computer and a
BuseLight year and some
skase and a free Stile Bike and
one scooter! Will fiste you
some, cookies and some milk.
Your friend,
Markevious
If you get me all that I will
give you some more

Dear Santa,
I want a name Plate for
Christmas and some Books to
lend to Read and go to the 4th
grad and Do math all The
time.

Fr. St. I would ware my Name
Plate to School and ever ware I
would to and I would tall
Santa want.
Next My mom buet me some-
thing to and my mom and Dad to
for chrisman I love my mom
and sister.
Your friend,
Shalaria

Dear Santa,
I Wus a good Student in
School.
First I Wut a scooter for chui
Your Friend,
Robert

Dear Santa,
let me tell you what I went for
chrisman. I want a dance
Baby. In a BaBy Doll.
First, I would like to tall you
about the dance BaBy. If you
dance the BaBy will dance
with you. If you stop it will
stop with you. BaBy Doll it
just like a realy BaBy fact.
Second, The Baby Doll was sit-
ting at me bed. In one ever-
things a easy baker In a nail
pourer. Borth have to paring
in. A power reason for chri-
man.
Famly, I want to watch you a
marry chrisman and a happy
new Year. In I else like to Wish
Mrs. Wisdom a Marry
Chrisman. In all the teacher
Hoppy Chirsman
your Friend,
Jakeria

Dear Santa,
I am writing you Because what
I want for the Christmas hol-
iday and its jam
first I will Like an roller cast-
er Bechas. I think you can
get it and I will Like a
grBall go tats all thank you
Merry matn
Your Friend,
Daral

Dear Santa,
Hi my name is Ebony
Blackman I am 8 years old. I
am going to tell Santa what I
want For Christmas.
First, I want for Christmas. Is
a new scooter with blue wheel.
I want the scooter because I
can ride it to school. I want
because I just want to show it
off.
Second, I want For Christmas.
Is a doll name Amazie Ally
that come with a cd's. I want
Amazie Ally to play with it. I
can take it to school.
Third, I want For Christmas.
is a game boy color. I want it
because I can Play it. I want it
because I can take it to school.
Your Friend,
Ebony

Rosenwald Elementary

Ms. Hooker's Class

Dear Santa,
I wish I had a taking Baby
Doll, a Barbie Jeep, and a My
Size Barbie a CD player,
Bowwow CD, Sammy CD, easy
baker, that Bake cake, and a
Barbie Doll, and a Scooter, and
a DirtBike and a Sing Barbie.
Lataschia

Dear Santa,
this is Carissa Chastine from
3rd grade. I want a bicbye and
some jewel because you will
bring me lots of stuff for chri-
mas. This is the stuff I will
want for chrisman. I want
some shoes and clothes and I
want to go to my dad house
and stay the night with my
sister's and my brother. And I
want some money and a scoter.

Dear Santa,
I ban good all year can you
bring this thing I no it we take
you long to get to my side over
the world this what I want a
girl igneana, fairet
Zertavious

Dear Santa,
I wish I can have a Dream
Baby Doll. I wish I can have a
Bike. I wish I can have a scoot-
er. I wish I can have a BirBe
Dall will lossta of BirBe Doll
Clothes and Baby Doll Clothes
with Baby Doll set and Jeweler.
And most of all I wish to have
a Merry Chirists.
Makeba

Dear Santa,
I was very good, and I want for
christmas a sKieara and a toy
and I want a play gon and a
hot wheels cars and that all.
Ervin

Dear Santa,
from your friend JaMorrious
Will you give me a bick and a
tapp for my game. And Santa I
need new foot ball for me and
my friend can play catch. And
Santa I got to let you know
that I have a 64 game and one
more thing I won't some skats
and that what I won't
From: **Jamorrious Walker**
To: Santa

Dear Santa,
I am good I want a food thing
Riley

Dear Santa,
this is what I want for chri-
mas I want a Baby dolls, pooh
any thing for chrisman that
you can found I know you is
whatching me in school.
Sher'meka

Dear Santa,
I am in 3rd grade. I am a go
girl, and I wish I git a parit
From: **Mikeisha**

Dear Santa,
May I please have a gruch get-
away car and a talking BaBy.
From: **La'Breche Harris**

Dear Santa,
Hey My name is Erne'shia I
am in the 3rd grade Santa for
chamause will you gave me a
schooder Please.
From: **Erne'shia**
To: Santa

Dear Santa,
I will Love to get a barbe that
cry and Love to eat I will like
it place I love it
From: **Roonette**

Dear Santa,
All I want for Christmas is my
two foul teeth and amazing
Baby and pucht and two pairy.
my size biarboy.
To: Santa

From: **Shanell Ford**

Dear Santa,
All I wan't is a Grinch getaway
car and a mickey mouse chaky
cheese pizza baker.
And also Peace on earth. And a
Kitten and a puppy. A lot of
praselets and a Santa Clause
musical thing.
And also I want a puchy and a
amazing baby.
Also I want a baby furbox and
a talking parrot. Also a sweet
saith barney doll.
Also I want a size barbey.
From: **Jalisa**

Dear Santa,
I hope you bring me a dirt bike
a moken troll car and a game
boy color a playstation a scoot-
er a hot will and I want me a
lot of stuff.
Kenneth

Dear Santa,
this is what I want a
dolls and I want an dace baby-
doll. I want some earphones
and I want what I put on this
paper. dol dace doll earphone
skates name plate skoter pers
I was very good
By: **LaShay Earley**

Dear Santa,
I want a Genaration school
Barbie, and a celebration fo
the year barbi. I would like a
Game boy color Mary Kate-
Shly, Boom box, bike, scotor,
dirt bike, Barbie jeep, Make up
box, computer, C.D. player;

skates, playstation, Boom box
barbie Rock'n Roll house,
cloths, shoes.
From: **Elizette Nufiez**
To: Santa

Dear Santa,
I was very good this year for
Christmas I would like all my
family there so they can be
happy together and we can
have a happy Christmas
your friend,
Alicia Treviño
Marry Christmas

Dear Santa,
Santa I wish I had a speacial
gift that I wanted I want a
Easy bache. That comes with
ligh Bulb. And the stuff like
donuts and I want a doll.
Love,
Tania Diaz

Dear Santa,
On chirsmas day I wan't you to
brain me a Bike some 64 tape
because we go roll My
Gremother House we are going
to ride our bike on Chirsmas
and we are go to play My 64
On chirsmas that is the End of
My Notes
To: Santa

From: **Tyrone Page**

Dear Santa,
For chirsmas I would like a one
line inter net pc computer a
makeonthual modosrile My
PlayStation 2 and one
Last Thing a SKshoter Please
bring me that
Clive

Dear Santa,
I've been a little bad in school
and a little Good. I wood like a
Present I wood like a Game
Boy and I won like sake brod
and a scooter T wood like a
Sincerely,
Christopher

Dear Santa,
I have been making good grades
on my spelling test, and on my

Math test. I have past to the
third grade I turn in all my
homework. I will like a
remocktroll trunk and a
scooter for a present.
Sincerely,
Michael Thompson

Dear Santa,
I would like to make a wish. I
wish that all the poor will get
lots of money. I would like for
my dog not to be cold in winter.
For my family I wish that
they have a bleesed time. For
me all I want is watet I have
now, my own Family.
Sincerely,
Alexis

Dear Santa,
I hope you come to my house
and give me a note while I'm
sleeping because I'm good and
when I say something nice I
get to make friends and that's
nice. Me and my grandmother
dream that one day I would
make the honor roll and my
dream come true because I
believe in myself. Once I made
the honor roll Santa I was
dreaming that in City Hall I
would say I have a dream! that
I would be here tonight to say
I wish I was mayor of this city.
But Santa on Christmas Eve
the most thing I want from
you is the joy and love! Merry
Christmas!
Sincerely,
Arkeria

Dear Santa,
I would like a CD of Britney
Spears. I would also want a
new jacket because it is so
cold. I would like a lot of toys
more. I have been good at
home and in school.
Sincerely,
Bianca Delafuente

Dear Santa,
I love your stuff I like to get a
game boy for chRismas and a
bike and a computr. Santa I
love you so much. Santa I've
been good every weekend, and
one more thing I have to tell
you that I miss you.
Sincerely,
Danny

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Dear Santa,
like for Christmas is a racing car, football suit, and a baby doll. I been good girl.
Sincerely,
Patrice Collie

Dear Santa,
This year I just want a little bit of presents. I just want some cloths, shoes, a bracelet, two more baby dolls, a nail kit, a gold scooter, and my family to be together.
Sincerely,
Markeria
PS. I made six A's and two B's

Dear Santa,
On December 25 is my birthday on my birthday I want a bike, neckles, and ring. My mom said that you live in the north pole and it is cold up there. I wish that I can come up there and visit you but I don't have no way. In School I've been so good. On every Friday go to the library and if I pass my spelling test. My teacher is very nice to me. I like school because I like to do math.
Sincerely,
Jeffanekia

Dear Santa,
I have been an very good girl in class. I get my work to school on time when I'm suppose to. I am a good Math student. Am a very good reader. I love homework. Santa I will like to have a bike and some more things for christmas. Every day I make A and B on my tests.
Sincerely,
Lekeysha Smith

Dear Santa,
I hope you can come to my house and give me a babydoll. I was being caught good today and tell me how proud of me. For Christmas I want a baby doll, a computer, and a game boy. Merry Christmas
Sincerely,
Latifah

Dear Santa,
I think you are a very good man. I Wish you Will give me a scooter and a game boy And I wish you will give me books.
Sincerely,
Rick

Dear Santa,
First, i want to ask you something. What am i getting on christmas. These are some thing i've got in mire of knew pair of shoes and a shooter.

Sincerely,
Cornelius

Dear Santa,
Christmas is comming up. I want a lot of present for Christmas. I want shoes, clothes, an ankle bracelet and a bike. I am good in school, in fact I made a good grade on my math test.

Sincerely,

Shelly

Dear Santa,
how are you doing are you going fine? Santa are you going to have a nice Christmas. I'm having a nice Christmas. Christmas is going to be good to me. I'm going to have a fantastic Christmas. It is going to be so good my mom is going say put them toy away I going to say give me a little more time pleass mom. My Christmas is going to be the best.
Sincerely,
La'Sheika

Dear Santa,
I would like to get something for christmas. Because I have lots of toys for christmas. This is what I want. I what a easy baker, skates and a bike. I like to have a easy baker because you can make lots of cakes out of the fowller. You can make all kinds of flowers out of it. And you can have a party and make a cake.

Skates are fun to roller blades fast in them. You can hover a big race with your friends. And you can play around the park with your skates!

A bike is fun to play with and ride on. You can ride it in your yard and play with your stuff in your yard. You can race with your friends.
What I want is a treat for me Santa will give it to me to and christmas is a speatl holiday for everybody I love christmas.
La'Coya Davis

Dear Santa,
I would like a nail kit and a computer and a big doll. I would like a nail Kit to do my nail and color them. Why I want a nail Kit to play nail and do my friends nails. I want it because it is good to do nail.

Santa would you give me a Computer So I can play game. I want a computer so I play Cord and Gold fish.
I would like Santa a big doll So I can play with it. In I Want it to do it hair. and why I want it to play dolls.

Sincerely

Latasha

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a My size angle doll; a Nail Maker and a Dacing Dabbie doll. I want a My Size angle doll because it is my size. It has a dress with it you can wear you can dance with it to. I What a dressing sand because it is fun to play with. and I can dress and put rings and bracelets and Nandles on. and I can Wear Shoes.
I What a Dancing Dabbie doll because it can dance, and it cantals and it has a head phone with it you can sing with it. it has different clothes. These are the three thing I what for chrismas.
Quanteria Small

Dear Santa,
This is what I want for Christmas I want Three wish for Christmas in I want so shoes in some close in I want some nels for Christmas. This is some toys I want for Christmas I want some baby dolls in I want some games for my 64. This is I want some jump rope in a rhyme book help you read in I want a whatch. This is what I want I want a realy baby in this what I want I want a baby in a new baby doll house for my baby dolls. I want for toys I like a quarter Book for Christmas in I want a baby doll Phone to talk to the baby doll on That Phone in I want a born baby for Closing I like some Shoes in some new toastill in I want some new Jeans.
Juanita Chastine

Dear Santa,
I would like to have so good toys this year.

Santa I want this for Chritama. I want a playstion 2 for Chritama. The reec I want a playstasion because it have my favorite CD. My favorite CD is Madden 2001. Santa I want this for Chritama. I want a free stilly bika for Chritama. I want it because I could ride around the prak. I could ride it to stoe and school.

Santa I want this for Chritama. I want a 64 game. I want a 64 game because it have a No Mrre game.

Dear Santa I was very good this iha. I love you Santa Merry Chritmas.

Marvin

Dear Santa,
I would like to get a puchy, name plate, and a polly club house.
I would like to get a puchy for chritmas. I would like to get a puchy because it is a rowbot and I like rowbots. Another reason I like puchy because I can walk when I tell it to walk. And it only reakt to my voice.

I would like a name plate because I never had one. Another reason is because I all ways brack my other necles the are not a mane plate. My final reason is so that I can ware it to the football game. My final toy is a rosh, club hona My reason to getting that toy is because it has a lot of hiding place.

Another reason is that it is fun to play with the Final reason is that it is big. I wish I could relly get these toys.
Courtney

Dear Santa,
I ben good this hold year gameboy, computer, Books. This is what I want for chrismas. Santa Gameboy, computer, Books
Giles Keith Parson

Dear Santa,
I would like to get a bike, game and computer because I was a good student in class. I would like to have a bike if I go to the store I would ride my bike. If I go some where I would ride my bike. When I go to the park I would take my bike.

I would like to have a game to play. I could get only game tap. I could take it to my grandma house.

When I first get my computer I will get on great games. I can get games CD's. I can write stores.

Dear Santa these are the three things I will like for chrismas. Charkevius

Dear Santa,
I will get on great games. I can get games CD's. I can write stores.

Dear Santa these are the three things I will like for chrismas. Charkevius

Dear Santa,
I won't a play syton two and a packy and a free silly bike dedes.

I wont some pines and a teddy Bear and that all on this stery

puchy.

I won't Some glasses for writing

and a wrook dog and cat

and bowlow seeds and blits

2000 two and somay seedee.

I won't a ackers for chrismas

and That's all I won't for chrismas Santa and This all on this story.

I won't a mock and stril car for

Christmas and a bulp low

seven and theft all I won't for chrismas steina good bye

stantz that alle

Sonia Moore

Dear Santa,
I would like to get toys because I like the toys I see sometimes.

This is one of the toys I saised I want and it si the Kelly doll off of TV. This is why and it is the Kelly doll of TV. This is why I want the Kelly Doll because it is beautiful, long hairs and it sings.

I also want another toy and it is a Barbie Cash Regerster with a shopping card. I want this because I like playing store with my brother, and it has a phone to talk on and that's why I like it too.

I have one more toy to talk

about and it is My Real Baby. This is why I want My Real Baby because it moves like it is real, it put it's feet in the air and it has a bottle in it's mouth.

Finally, these are the wonderful things I want.

Jameisheba

Canal Point Elementary

Ms. Jones' Class

Dear Santa,
Hi! My name is Beatrice Joyner I live in pahokee Florida. I want to tell you all the things I would like for Christmas.

First, I would like a outfit. I would like a sam I am outfit. I would like one because my sister has one and it is pretty. Next, I would like a scooter because it look like a nice toy to play with. It is a toy that the family can play with.

Last, I want my family to be together for Christmas and be happy. I want to give them a present I hope they like the present.

Thank you, Santa Claus
Love,

Beatrice Leanna Joyner

Canal Point Elementary

Ms. Wray's Class

Dear Santa,
For chrismas I would like a little copy machine whil paper. I also want a typriter with paper. I have been good all year. Happy birthday! Have a happy chrismas. I also would like some books.

Patricia Mata

Dear Santa,
I wish for Three things for chrismas. Let me tell you them.

First Santa I want a fingerails set because I Love nails and I want some because I Like them because They are very nice to wear on my nails

Happy Holidays



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please buy the for me. Next Santa I would like a brown Snakeskin Outfit and some brown boots to go with it. I Like Snake Skin can you get it for me because I love it all. Last I would like a gift for the whole School can get one for first, grade, second, third, fourth, fifth, and six grade Tusharma Alexander

Dear Santa,
I Wish to have some games about football and basketball for me. I wish my mom and dad buy me some presents and I Wish I had alot of toys. Rudy Gomes

Dear Santa,
Do you know what I would like For Christmas I get a new bike and a gameboy and sater and a N64, a gift for my Sister E-day too. I would also like some shoes and neckline a FuBu shirt. Stephen Johnson

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like shoe, sets of earrings and and boxes of Crayons. Rasia Henry

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl so Santa how are you? Merry Christmas Santa I wanted a Seater so long and a bicker, a pair of shoes and so clothes and a bedtime story and a baby doll, and a darning debbi and I will like a game. Desree Alexander

Dear Santa,
I would like a pair of roller blades and two dolls, then I jewelreys and a wated for Christmas. D'Ariane Williams

Dear Santa,
For chrismas I would like a bike, a skat, a sega dreamcast, a playstation 2 and 9, a computer, a race car, a TV, and radio. A new car for my mom, and for my sister a car too. And for my other sister money for her ticket. And for my neffie a motor cross game. And my brother a car and a tape to it cause he likes music. Gavin Leahy Anderson

Dear Santa,
Cerdio Santa Clas cierto que me regales juguetes y ropa y sapatos y lo que tu cieras pero conoquiera-quiero que me regales cosas de donde bengas pero tambien no mas a my perro tambien a my hermano y a my prima pero como clara me bas a traer juguetes santos cierto tambien que me tra gas unos columpios y una alberca para poder nadar y jugar en los columpios con mis hermanos pero yo a pasiar a mis hermanos el que a penas a mi hermano apartas esta dia cuan do biene santos y la boy a cuidar a los tres y nuna me boy separar de ninguno de los tres pero tambien quiero que se puse todias bien mis amigas en todas felices de que estan nidad y ciero se la puren con sus juguetes, felices, y nuca se de separar de sus juguetes y tambien cuidado con sus hermanos y cuidados muchos como yo ciero y mis hermanos y-a mis cosas y si yo tubiera cosas de nino yo te emprestaras cosas. Jessica Rodriguez

Dear Santa,
For chrismas I would like a telescope. I would also would like a typewriter to write letters to firends.

I would like tommy new cloes and some new addias shoe and A puppy, that is all I would like for chrismas.

Nomy Tesvillo

Dear Santa,
This is what I would like for chrismas clothes, Rocket the wonder dog, Makeup Mindy, Ice cream bar factory, Computer, neckless, ring, Christmas books, Girl things, My size butterfly Barbie, Gooze, telescope, Backstreet boys tape, Britney spire tape, Monopoly Junior, Play money, Type writer. That's all.

Norma Hernandez

Dear Santa,
How are you doing at the north pole with your elves working at the shop? Let me make a list of things I would like for chrismas a skeeter, play station 2, the rock action figer, and a mountain bike, 1,000 dollars, monopoly jr., Scrabble Jr., tommy hill figer clothes, a computer with window's 95 and higher and that's what I would like for chrismas.

Jorge Esperaza

Dear Santa,
Know what I would like for Christmas. First, I would like for Christmas is a CD player with CDs. Next, What I Would like for Christmas is a scooter. Then, I would like is a billion of dolls and teddy bears. Last I would like for Christmas is a poche, if you get me all these toys I list down I'll give you a big kiss Shirkara

Dear Santa,
I would like mean frog leaf and a bike, and some cloths, and that's all I like for chrismas. and That's all I get. Shantol Howard

Dear Santa,
I want a bake and some toys and my dad want necklace and earring and my mom want a earring and a necklace and I went a necklace and a earring and my sister give her a brater and my brother give him a cupper and give my famaly give them anything. Marisa Rodriguez

Dear Santa,
I had been a good girl. This is what I would like for Christmas. I would like a soccer a barbie radio, a coputer, a barbie doll, and a camera. Verneometrice Holmes

Dear Santa,
First, I would like a scooter and a toy morkerscold and a purse and a teknico. I want a moped next. I would like a bike ands some shoes and clozes.

third I would like a racing car and a flashlight
last I want a scooter a puce a teknico and a biker cloes and shoes racing car flashlight

Damarion J Walker

Pahokee Elementary

Mrs. Pringle's Class:

Dear Santa,
I am writing this letter for you to let you know what I want for Christmas. I want a barbedoll, a Playstation, a monster truck, and two more things a box of crayons and a artset Your friend, Joyneisha Anderson

Dear Santa,
I want you to come to my house to give me some toys. I want a scouter, a football set, a dirt bike and a big tv for my bedroom. I also want some books to read. I love to read books.

Your friend,
Eddie Daniels

Dear Santa,
I wish you would come advist me. It's a happy time when it is Christmas. My last name is Decembre. I hope you are having a good day. I am hoping you will bring me a barbie doll and a computer. Have a merry christmas. Kiss Mrs. Santa claus for me.

Your friend,
Myka December

Dear Santa,
Here are somethings I want for chrismas only if I make good grades. First, I want a nail salon. Next, I really want a hush Little Baby Last I have to have a game boy. These are the three thing I really want for chrismas. Your friend,
Kenisha Marvin

Dear Santa,
It is almost chrismas. My favorite time of the year. So I will tell you what I would like. I want a nintendo sixty-four. That's what I want. Your friend,
Gilberto Fauilis

Dear Santa,
You are my best Friend. I Know that you will say that I'm your best Friend to. I love me a list of things I would like for chrismas a skeeter, play station 2, the rock action figer, and a mountain bike, 1,000 dollars, monopoly jr., Scrabble Jr., tommy hill figer clothes, a computer with window's 95 and higher and that's what I would like for chrismas.

Doral Fields

Dear Santa,
I hope you come to my house. I love you so much because you give us presents. You are special to me because I love you. I wish you would give me a puppy for Christmas. Your friend,

Maria Garcia

Dear Santa,
It's almost chrismas I will tell you what I want for chrismas I want a game boy with three games, and I would like a Go cart for chrismas. This is what I want for chrismas. Your friend,
Ricardo Haro

Dear Santa,
Santa claus is coming to town to give our presents to the kids that are nice and that leave him some cookies with milk. I want you to bring me a game boy Chaser. The chaser is red.

Your friend,
Cassandra Herrera

Dear Santa,
How is at the South Pole. I want to come and visit you up there in the snow. Also I want to see the elves and Mrs.

Santa Claus. I am wishing for a Game Boy game and a new bike.

Your friend,
Markeasha Lawler

Dear Santa,
I want to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a Game Boy and a bike. I want a tekno, and a teknico. I want a moped next. I would like a game boy and a happy Christmas Day.

Your friend,
Israel Lerma

Dear Santa,
Here are some things I want for chrismas only if I make good grades. First, I want a scooter, a suitcase that looks like a bookbag. Last I want a suitcase full of clothes.

Your friend,
Antivia Mikian

Dear Santa,
I want some new shoes for Christmas. Also, a football so I can play football with my friends. I played football yesterday with my friends. My brother wants a new remote control car.

Your friend,
Curtis Mitchell

Dear Santa,
Here are somethings I want for chrismas only if I make good grades. First, I want a nail salon. Next, I really want a hush Little Baby Last I have to have a game boy. These are the three thing I really want for chrismas.

Your friend,
Kenisha Marvin

Dear Santa,
christmas is almost here I can't wait till it comes. I have been a good girl and I made honor roll in school. I want a cotton candy maker and some Finger nail stuff.

Your friend,
Tatyana Pringle

Dear Santa,
It is almost Christmas. I hope you didn't forget. Because it is my favorite day of the year. For Christmas I want a boy not girl Dalmation puppy. Because dalmations are my favorite kind of dogs and boy An I love dogs. The other thing I want is a Doberman puppy and it has to be a boy one. The reason I want a Doberman is because they're really tough at fighting. Now these are all the things I want for Christmas until next year when I think something else I want.

Your friend,
Gilberto Fauilis

Dear Santa,
It is almost chrismas. My favorite time of the year. So I will tell you what I would like. I want a nintendo sixty-four. That's what I want. Your friend,
Gilberto Fauilis

Alan Ramirez

Dear Santa,
Santa I hope you come by my house on Christmas. I want a fourwheeler for Christmas, and I want a dreamcast for Christmas.

Your friend,
Cariattavious Robinson

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I am doing fine. Can you give me a gift for Christmas? Christmas is one of my favorite holiday. All the holiday are fun but I love Christmas.

Tell Mrs. Santa Claus that I Said I Said hi and that I Said merry chrismas. Can you pet your reindeers for me. Will I have to say by-berry Merri chrismas.

Your friend,
Margarita Rosiles

Dear Santa,
It's almost Christmas and I want some things For Christmas. I want five things. I want a silver and gold Mongoose, a NoMercy tape that goes with nintendo 64, and one more thing is my ring and necklace. On my First report card I had all B's.

Your friend,
Matthew Simpson

Dear Santa,
I want four daugen ballz toys and scooby-Doo toys to o and santa place to care of my family. Scooby-Doo with be on a pogostick and the dragon ballz to wuth Lake like if it had blue pance and blue shuarre.

Love always,
Juan V

Dear Santa,
I want for chrismas is a nitenet or game and it is called Pohmon Stoddom because you fight in the game. The careher is named Cazard and he throws fire. The game only cost \$59.99. Onther thing I what's a game boy color. Because you get to play a lot of games. The only game I what's is called game boy silver. The game is little and cool. the game cost \$49.99 That is why I like the game that wrote on the paper.

love,
Juan Garza

Dear Santa,
I want a pokeman gold version For gameboy color a game-shark For gameboy.

Sincerely,
Jerryot Schott McGhee

Dear Santa,
I wish for a weinndi the pooh toy Because weinndi the pooh is my favorite toy. Like weinndi the pooh. Because he is cute. He has to orange little ears and one fuzzy nose. Finally, weinndi the pooh is what I want for chrismas.

Sincerely,
Janette Rodriguez

Dear Santa,
I wish for only one things is a coile. I want a coile because I always wanted a dog like lasse. If you can santa I want her to be white and black and brown.

Sincerely your friend,
Ines Velasco

Dear Santa,
I would relly like you to come please santa give me a, silla sKooter with red wheels that just cost \$39.99. Wate Santa I even whant a scoody doo toy. it is very ason for Me and my brother would like that.

Jeremy

Dear Santa,
I wish I will shon and I want a loq coake sk gel neclise, first, Because a loo car, of gold is hard last And thanyer then ever. Also, When it show. Frist, I will Play snow ball. Last, We like my poy cousin will go snow sledge.

Love,
Antonio

Dear Santa,
I wish you era cuming to my house. Ef you do I gonna cookies to you. And pleace can you give me a game boy color and a god wuh and a radio. marry christmas to you.

love,
Armando

Dear Santa,
I want a scouter four Chrismi it look like a Bikescole the wills are Blue and it has four wills and it has two handols. The send Prezen is a Puch. Because the Pooh is almish like a real dog the ears are difrent colors the color I want is Blue Because Blue is a lovely color

Love,
Marta

Dear Santa,
Heres my wishes I don't want much but I do want a brand new porch for I can have fun when I'm sick and their also pritty. Clothes Like bellbottoms and some unforntun for school. And when every one want to get me But the one thing I mostly want is to be with my family pleases.

Sincerely,
Dominique Tosado

Dear Santa,
I want a Scoter for chrismas it looks like a Scatboard but, a Scoter has a handel in stead. the color I want it is red.

Your dear friend,
Jennifer Woods

Dear Santa,
I wish for a Scottie because It can take you everywhere. It has bulw was and a black geap. I think that splat posit could be mine.

Sincerely,
Gabrielle

Dear Santa,
I wish a gameboy color with games Because it is fun. and I whatn a playstaion 2 and a contol and it was cool.

love,
Shawn

Dear Santa,
I want a ratio because I can hear music and sum sedes of nataly and Jesco becuc his music is good and same good dasay way I want a ratio and sedes So I can hear musi aney tiamie I want.

Sensely,
Cynthia

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I want a pokeman gold version For gameboy color a game-shark For gameboy.

Sincerely,
Jerryot Schott McGhee

Dear Santa,
I wish for a weinndi the pooh toy Because weinndi the pooh is my favorite toy. Like weinndi the pooh. Because he is cute. He has to orange little ears and one fuzzy nose. Finally, weinndi the pooh is what I want for chrismas.

Sincerely,
Janette Rodriguez

Dear Santa,
I wish for only one things is a coile. I want a coile because I always wanted a dog like lasse. If you can santa I want her to be white and black and brown.

Sincerely your friend,
Ines Velasco

Dear Santa,
I would relly like you to come please santa give me a, silla sKooter with red wheels that just cost \$39.99. Wate Santa I even whant a scoody doo toy. it is very ason for Me and my brother would like that.

Jeremy

Dear Santa,
I wish I will shon and I want a loq coake sk gel neclise, first, Because a loo car, of gold is hard last And thanyer then ever. Also, When it show. Frist, I will Play snow ball. Last, We like my poy cousin will go snow sledge.

Love,
Antonio

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